

BEFORE THE

CALIFORNIA WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD

FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF THE:

REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

APRIL 20, 1989

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MR. PHILLIP BEAUTROW

MRS. GINGER BREMBERG

MR. E. L. VARNER

MR. LES BROWN

DR. GEORGE TCHOBANOGLOUS

MR. JAMES LOCKINGTON

STAFF PRESENT

MR. GEORGE EOWAN, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

MR. HERBERT IWAHIRO, CHIEF DEPUTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER

MR. ALAN OLDALL, DEPUTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: CALL THE MEETING OF THE CALIFORNIA WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD TO ORDER. I'D LIKE TO WELCOME GUESTS FROM OUTSIDE. ALSO LIKE TO ADMONISH IF YOU WISH TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD, THERE ARE SOME FORMS ON THE BACK TABLE. PLEASE FILL ONE OF THEM OUT. INDICATING THE ISSUE ON YOU WISH TO TESTIFY, AND HAND IT TO ONE OF OUR NICE SECRETARIES. WHO WILL SEE THAT YOU GET INTO THE AGENDA.

CHAIR HAS A DISTINCT PLEASURE THIS MORNING IN WELCOMING A NEW BOARD MEMBER. WE ARE, AFTER SOME TIME. UP TO OUR FULL COMPLEMENT. IT'S A PLEASURE FOR ME TO PRESENT TO YOU MR. JIM LOCKINGTON, OUR NEW BOARD MEMBER. WELCOME ABOARD, JIM, GLAD TO HAVE YOU.

(APPLAUSE.)

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: IT'S ALSO A GREAT PLEASURE FOR ME TODAY TO TELL YOU THAT A VERY DEAR FRIEND AND BOARD MEMBER HAS BEEN ELECTED TO WASTE AGE HALL OF FAME. MR. JOHN MOSCONE, OUR DEAR VICE CHAIRMAN --

(APPLAUSE.)

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: -- IS FINALLY GETTING THE RECOGNITION THAT HE DESERVES.



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BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: IS THAT IN OHIO? 1 2 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: HE REFUSES TO GO. THEY'RE NOT GOING TO ENSHRINE HIM IN ANYTHING. 3 BOARD MEMBER MOSCONE: MIGHT HAVE THE SENATE 4 RULES COMMITTEE AFTER ME. 5 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: WE'D ASK THE EXECUTIVE 6 7 OFFICER IF THERE'S ANY CHANGE IN THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA. MR. EOWAN: GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS. 8 9 PRETTY MUCH WE CAN, I THINK, STAY ON TRACK. THIS 10 MORNING, THOUGH, WE WOULD LIKE TO HEAR, IN ADDITION TO 11 ITEMS 1 AND 2. ITEM 3 TO ACCOMMODATE SOME TRAVELERS FROM 12 OUT OF TOWN. THEN THERE ARE SOME SPECIAL REQUESTS. **ITEM** NO. 4 ON FRIDAY, ITEM NO. 10 ON FRIDAY, AND ITEM NO. 12 13 FRIDAY FIRST THING. 14 15 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: TWELVE FIRST THING. THAT'S 16 THE CONTRA COSTA ON FRIDAY. 17 ALL RIGHT. ARE WE READY -- MR. CONHEIM. 18 ATTORNEY CONHEIM: JUST BEFORE WE START. I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE TO YOU MAUREEN CARR MORRISON. WHO I 19 20 HAVE SELECTED AS OUR NEW ASSISTANT GENERAL COUNSEL. AND 21 SHE -- I WANT YOU TO KNOW -- I WANT HER TO STAND UP NOW 22 SO THAT IF I HAVE TO LEAVE THE ROOM AND YOU HAVE A 23 QUESTION, YOU WILL BE ABLE TO KNOW WHO YOU ARE GOING TO 24 DIRECT IT TO. AND I HAVE EVERY CONFIDENCE THAT WE'RE 25 GOING TO HAVE A VERY PRODUCTIVE RELATIONSHIP.



AGAIN. I HAVE GREAT EXPECTATIONS FOR BEING ABLE TO SERVE
YOUR LEGAL NEEDS AS A BOARD MEMBER, AND AS A BOARD VERY
WELL WITH MAUREEN'S COMING TO THE BOARD. THANK YOU.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU, BOB. WELCOME, MAUREEN. NICE TO SEE YOU.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1.

MR. IWAHIRO: MR. CHAIRMAN, WE'RE CONTINUING OUR RELENTLESS PURSUIT FOR REGULATIONS FOR FINANCIAL MECHANISMS FOR 2448. AND I THINK YOU WILL RECALL AT THE LAST MEETING THAT ICF. OUR CONTRACTOR, PRESENTED AN ANALYSIS OF THE VARIOUS MECHANISMS. AND FROM THAT YOU GAVE US DIRECTION TO DEVELOP SOME REGULATIONS OR DRAFT REGULATIONS, WHICH WE HAVE DONE, AND THEY ARE INCLUDED IN THE PACKET.

IN CONNECTION WITH THAT, YOU ALSO APPOINTED A COMMITTEE. INCLUDING A COUPLE -- TWO OF THE BOARD MEMBERS AND PEOPLE FROM THE PUBLIC SECTOR. AND THEY HAVE MET AND HAVE CONSIDERED SOME PROPOSALS THAT WOULD MEET THE INTENT OF THE LAW AND ALSO WOULD, HOPEFULLY, HELP THEIR -- CARRYING OUT THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES. AND SO WE WILL INCLUDE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THAT COMMITTEE AS WELL.

SO I'LL TURN OVER TO KAREN TRGOVCICH, WHO
WILL GIVE US A RUNDOWN ON WHAT'S PRESENTED IN THE PACKET.
CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU.

MS. TRGOVCICH: GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN AND



MEMBERS.

LAST NOVEMBER THE BOARD AWARDED A CONTRACT
TO ICF INCORPORATED TO ASSIST BOARD STAFF IN THE
DEVELOPMENT OF THE FINANCIAL MECHANISMS WHICH ARE
NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE REQUIREMENTS OF AB 2448, AS
WELL AS ADDITIONAL LEGISLATION REQUIRING THE BOARD TO
REQUIRE FINANCIAL LIABILITY AT OPERATING LANDFILLS. AT
THE MARCH MEETING IN MODESTO LAST MONTH, ICF INCORPORATED
PRESENTED TO THE BOARD AN ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL
MECHANISMS WHICH COULD BE USED BY OPERATORS TO FULFILL
THESE REQUIREMENTS.

DURING THIS LAST BOARD MEETING, THE BOARD DISCUSSED THE VARIOUS FINANCIAL MECHANISMS AND WHEN -- INDICATED TO ICF TO GO FORWARD WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF REGULATIONS IN SEVERAL AREAS. THEY INCLUDED FINANCIAL MECHANISMS TO COVER THE COSTS OF CLOSURE, PLUS FINANCIAL MECHANISMS TO COVER THE COST OF POSTCLOSURE.

INCLUDED IN YOUR BOARD PACKET TODAY ARE THE DRAFT REGULATIONS WHICH MR. MIKE BERG OF ICF INCORPORATED IS HERE TO PRESENT TO YOU TODAY. THESE DRAFT REGULATIONS COVER THE REQUIREMENT FOR AN OPERATOR OF A SOLID WASTE LANDFILL TO EITHER SET ASIDE FUNDS OR OTHERWISE GUARANTEE FUNDS TO COVER THE COSTS OF CLOSURE PLUS 15 YEARS OF POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE.

AS MR. IWAHIRO STATED, THE BOARD ALSO



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APPOINTED A SUBCOMMITTEE, WHICH HAS MET TWICE SINCE THIS LAST BOARD MEETING.

AT THE END OF THIS PRESENTATION, WE WILL
PRESENT TO YOU THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THIS SUBCOMMITTEE
IN THE AREA OF FINANCIAL MECHANISMS AVAILABLE TO PUBLIC
OPERATORS. WITH THAT, I'D LIKE TO TURN IT OVER TO MR.
MIKE BERG OF ICF INCORPORATED WHO WILL SUMMARIZE FOR YOU
THE PROPOSED DRAFT REGULATIONS.

MR. BERG: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

I'LL PROCEED BY BRIEFLY DESCRIBING THE SOURCES OF INFORMATION I USED TO DEVELOP THE DRAFT REGULATIONS. SECOND, GO THROUGH ON A SECTION-BY-SECTION BASIS IDENTIFYING THE OBJECTIVE FOR THAT SECTION, HOW IT WOULD OPERATE, AND SOME OF THE KEY TERMS AND POLICIES IMPLICIT WITHIN THOSE RULES. AND, THIRD, I'LL QUICKLY DISCUSS THE MECHANISMS WHICH ARE PRESENTED AT THE END OF THE PACKET.

AS I GO THROUGH THIS ANALYSIS, PLEASE ASK
ANY QUESTIONS AS THEY ARISE. IT'S A COMPLICATED AREA
THAT TAKES A LONG TIME TO UNDERSTAND.

FIRST, IN TERMS OF THE SOURCES OF
INFORMATION USED TO DEVELOP THESE RULES, I USED THREE
PRIMARY SOURCES, TWO SETS OF EPA RULES AND CALIFORNIA DHS
RULES. THE BASIC REASON FOR RELYING ON THESE IS THERE'S



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NO NEED TO REINVENT THE WHEEL. FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY
HAS BEEN AROUND IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS SINCE AT LEAST THE
EARLY 1980S.

THE FIRST SOURCE ARE EPA'S HAZARDOUS WASTE RULES, IN PARTICULAR THE FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR HAZARDOUS WASTE TREATMENT, STORAGE, AND DISPOSAL FACILITIES. ALTHOUGH THE REGULATED COMMUNITY IS DIFFERENT THERE, THE TECHNICAL ISSUES AND PROBLEMS ARE MUCH DIFFERENT. FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OPERATES IN THE SAME MANNER AS IT DOES FOR SOLID WASTE LANDFILLS.

THE SECOND SOURCE OF INFORMATION WAS THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICE REGULATIONS.

THEY DEVELOPED THEIR RULES BASED ON EPA'S REQUIREMENTS

THAT I JUST MENTIONED, BUT THEY ALSO PATTERN THEM AFTER EXISTING FINANCIAL PRACTICES WITHIN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. SO WHERE THERE ARE SOME DIFFERENCES BETWEEN TWO SETS OF RULES, I TENDED TO RELY ON THE CALIFORNIA RULES THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN PLACE.

THE FINAL SOURCE ARE EPA'S FINANCIAL
RESPONSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS UNDERGROUND STORAGES TANKS,
WHICH HAVE BEEN DEVELOPED IN THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS.
THESE HAVE, TO SOME EXTENT, ADVANCED THE STATE OF THE ART
IN FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY. SO THERE ARE A FEW KEY
TERMS AND PROVISIONS THAT I PULLED FROM THOSE RULES.

IN ADDITION, THEY'RE ORGANIZED, I THINK, IN



A MUCH BETTER WAY THAN EITHER OF THE TWO OTHER TYPES OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS. AND SO THE ORGANIZATION HERE -- IF YOU LOOK AT THE TABLE OF CONTENTS ON PAGE 3 OF THE PACKET, I'LL REFER TO THE PAGE NUMBERS AT THE BOTTOM OF THE PAGE THROUGHOUT MY PRESENTATION -- YOU'LL SEE THAT IT'S RELATIVELY CLEAR TO AN OPERATOR, BY LOOKING AT THE TITLES OF THE DIFFERENT SECTIONS, WHAT REQUIREMENTS THEY HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT.

THE FIRST SECTION SAYS WHAT'S THE PURPOSE

OF THESE RULES, WHO DO THEY APPLY TO. SECOND HAS THE

DEFINITION. THE THIRD SAYS HOW MUCH COVERAGE DO THEY

HAVE TO DEMONSTRATE. THE FOURTH SAID WHAT MECHANISMS CAN

THEY USE. AND THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS UP THROUGH THE

GUARANTEE LIST MECHANISMS THAT ARE POTENTIALLY -- THAT

ANY OPERATOR OR THAT SOME OPERATORS COULD USE.

THE REMAINING PROVISIONS HAVE TO DO WITH
WHAT HAPPENS IF AN OPERATOR SEEKS TO CANCEL THEIR
COVERAGE -- THE PROVIDER SEEKS TO CANCEL IF SOMEONE GOES
BANKRUPT, AND OTHER SIMILAR TYPES OF REQUIREMENTS.

STARTING ON PAGE 4, THEN, LET'S DISCUSS EACH SECTION, SECTION-BY-SECTION. FIRST SECTION DENTIFIES THE PURPOSE OF THE RULES, AS WELL AS WHO'S SUBJECT TO THEM. THE TERMS TAKEN -- THE TERMS OF THIS SECTION ARE TAKEN FROM THE STATUTE.

THE REQUIREMENTS WILL APPLY TO OPERATORS OF



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SOLID WASTE LANDFILLS. EVEN THOUGH -- AS THE STATUTE
REQUIRES. NEVERTHELESS, OWNERS CAN PLAY A ROLE IN
HELPING AN OPERATOR TO DEMONSTRATE FINANCIAL
RESPONSIBILITY. FOR EXAMPLE, AN OWNER COULD HELP AN
OPERATOR FUND A TRUST FUND, COULD PROVIDE COLLATERAL IN A
LETTER OF CREDIT OR SURETY BOND.

IN ADDITION, BASED ON THE WAY THE

PERMITTING REQUIREMENTS ARE ESTABLISHED, AN -- THE PERSON

WHO IS AN OPERATOR FOR PURPOSES OF FINANCIAL

RESPONSIBILITY MAY BE A DIFFERENT PERSON THAN OPERATES

THE REMAINING ASPECTS OF THE LANDFILL'S OPERATION.

THE NEXT SECTION ARE DEFINITIONS. HERE
THERE ARE SEVERAL TYPES OF TERMS. PROBABLY MORE THAN
HALF OF THESE ARE FINANCIAL TERMS WHICH ARE CONSISTENT
WITH EPA AND DHS DEFINITIONS. SOME OTHER TERMS REFER TO
THINGS LIKE WHAT THE CURRENT COST ESTIMATES REFER TO,
WHAT'S A PROVIDER OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY, AND SO
FORTH.

THERE ARE TWO KEY TERMS I'D LIKE TO POINT
YOUR ATTENTION TO, AND THAT'S ON PAGE 5, SECTIONS O AND
R, REMAINING PERMITTED CAPACITY AND TOTAL PERMITTED
CAPACITY. THOSE ARE TERMS WHICH WILL BE USED IN THE NEXT
SECTION TO ESTABLISH THE REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUALLY
BUILDING UP A TRUST FUND OR ENTERPRISE FUND. THE TERM
"TOTAL PERMITTED CAPACITY" IS A LITTLE BIT DIFFERENT THAN



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BASICALLY, THE TOTAL PERMITTED CAPACITY, INCLUDING ANY CHANGES MADE OVER TIME AND ALLOWABLE CAPACITY IN THE PERMIT. BUT IT EXCLUDES ANY CAPACITY THAT'S ALREADY BEEN FILLED WHEN THE REGULATIONS TAKE EFFECT. WE'LL GET BACK TO THAT IN THE NEXT SECTION.

MOVING ON TO THE AMOUNT OF COVERAGE.

BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: EXCUSE ME. CAN I COMMENT RIGHT AT THIS POINT, OR WOULD YOU, JOHN, RATHER WAIT TILL THE END?

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: I THINK HE ASKED IF YOU HAD QUESTIONS. BRING THEM UP WHEN THEY OCCUR TO YOU.

BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: REGARDING THIS CAPACITY. I CAN'T THINK OF ANY OTHER SUBJECT THAT IS MORE CONTROVERSIAL AND MISUNDERSTOOD AS WHAT THAT MEANS. AND YOU BETTER TALK ABOUT CUBIC YARDS, TONS, HOW IT'S MEASURED. I MEAN, EVERYBODY -- IT'S LIKE HAVING A FLEXIBLE YARDSTICK. AND JUST PUTTING THE DEFINITION IN THERE IS NOT GOING TO DO IT WHEN IT COMES DOWN TO SOMEBODY SUBMITTING INFORMATION BECAUSE EVERYBODY IS USING A DIFFERENT STANDARD OF HOW MUCH COMPACTION: SOME USE CUBIC YARDS, SOME USE TONS, SOME DON'T HAVE SCALES,

SO THERE HAS TO BE SOME KIND OF AN UNDERSTANDING ABOUT WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT. IT'S NOT LIKE ONE INCH IS ALWAYS ONE INCH IN OUR SOCIETY HERE.



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I BELIEVE THAT YOU NEED TO GO A LITTLE BIT MORE IN DEPTH OR HAVE SOME FURTHER EXPLANATION RATHER THAN JUST PERMITTED CAPACITY OR REMAINING CAPACITY WHEN IT'S GOING TO BOIL DOWN TO THE CONTROVERSY OF WHAT THAT MEANS.

MR. ORR: I THINK THAT'S AN AREA THAT WE'RE GOING TO DEAL WITH IN MORE DETAIL IN THE CLOSURE. THE UNIFORM STANDARDS.

THE BASIS FOR THIS WOULD BE. IN FACT. A VOLUME CAPACITY. NOW, IN THE CASE -- IN THE CASE WHERE YOU WERE GOING TO BE LOOKING AT A TONNAGE THAT YOU WERE RECEIVING, THERE MIGHT BE SOME CONVERSION TO THAT YARDS, BUT IT WOULD BE ACTUALLY PHYSICALLY LOOKING AND SEEING WHAT HAS BEEN PLACED THERE, RATHER THAN GO THROUGH SOME PERMUTATION ESTIMATING IT.

SO THE TWO THINGS THAT WE'RE LOOKING AT HERE WOULD BE WE'VE GOT A REQUIREMENT THAT ARE IN THE REGS REGARDING AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY AND SO FORTH, AND YOU COULD CONCEIVABLY FIND OUT HOW MUCH YOU'D FILLED BY THE VOLUME THAT'S SHOWN UP IN THE AERIAL PHOTOS. AND THAT IS AN AREA THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE LOOKING AT IN MORE DETAIL.

BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: OKAY. BUT I WANT TO POINT OUT THAT THERE'S ALSO THIS ISSUE ABOUT AIR SPACE. IS IT THE VOLUME THAT'S STRICTLY AVAILABLE FOR THE GARBAGE. OR IS IT THE AIR SPACE THAT'S AVAILABLE FOR THE REFUSE PLUS THE TOP SOIL AND THE COVER AND --



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MR. ORR: IT WOULD BE THE AIR SPACE.

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BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: YOU DON'T SAY THAT.

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JUST TRYING TO POINT OUT THAT THERE'S GOING TO BE SOME DIFFICULTIES IN INTERPRETATION WHEN YOU COME DOWN THE

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CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: MR. VARNER.

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BOARD MEMBER VARNER: MAYBE I CAN HELP THE STAFF OUT HERE BECAUSE YOU ARE GETTING A LITTLE AHEAD OF THE THING. PHIL. BECAUSE WE'RE STILL IN THE PROCESS OF DRAFTING SOME REGULATIONS THAT WE HAVE SOME GUIDELINES TO GO BY.

AND IN THIS, THEY'RE TAKING THE REMAINING CAPACITY TO FIGURE OUT HOW MUCH THAT SOMEBODY'S GOING TO HAVE TO SET ASIDE IN A GIVEN TIME. SO, IN MY OWN OPINION. THE LOCAL PEOPLE THAT ARE GOING TO BE HANDLING IT ARE THE ONES THAT ARE PRIMARILY GOING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT THE REMAINING CAPACITY IS AND HOW THEY'RE GOING TO SET ASIDE MONEY.

SO AS FAR AS I'M CONCERNED, I DON'T CARE HOW THEY FIGURE IT BECAUSE THEY'RE THE ONES THAT'S GOING TO HAVE TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR IT. IF THEY SAY THEY GOT FIVE YEARS LEFT, THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE TO SET ASIDE MONEY IN THAT FIVE-YEAR PERIOD. BUT IF THEY GOT A LONGER PERIOD. IT'S A DIFFERENT THING. THIS IS REALLY HERE TO TAKE CARE OF THOSE THINGS THAT HAVE A SHORT LIFE LEFT ON



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THEM. AND YOU HAVE TO THEN DETERMINE HOW YOU ARE GOING TO SET ASIDE THE MONEY.

BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: I'M SORRY, SKEET, I
DISAGREE BECAUSE WE HAVE AMPLE EVIDENCE OF PEOPLE MAKING
ALL KINDS OF OUTRAGEOUS STATEMENTS. THERE'S A COUPLE OF
THEM THAT WE'RE FACED WITH RIGHT NOW THAT SAID WE GOT SIX
MONTHS LEFT AND THEY'VE BEEN ON IT FOR A YEAR. I BELIEVE
YOU GOT TO HAVE SOME REASONABLE MEASURE SO EVERYBODY'S
TALKING ABOUT THE SAME THING.

IF YOU JUST LET THEM -- WHAT WOULD PROHIBIT
A COUNTY OR ANYBODY ELSE WHEN IT SAYS IN THE LAW THEY'RE
SUPPOSED TO HAVE EIGHT YEARS OF CAPACITY, THEY'LL TELL US
THEY HAVE TEN AND THEY ONLY HAVE FIVE. I JUST SAY THAT
THERE OUGHT TO BE SOME --

BOARD MEMBER VARNER: WELL, YOU'RE GETTING THE CART BEFORE THE HORSE. WE'VE GOT TO DETERMINE SOME KIND OF A BASIS UPON WHICH TO OPERATE, AND THEN WE'LL START TAKING THE EXTRANEOUS THINGS AS THEY COME. BUT YOU CANNOT DEVELOP YOUR WHOLE THING ON THE WHAT-IFS THAT MIGHT BE, OR YOU NEVER WILL EVER HAVE ANY BASIS UPON WHICH TO OPERATE.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU. ANYTHING FURTHER? PLEASE PROCEED.

MR. BERG: PAGE 6, THE SECTION ESTABLISHES WHAT

AMOUNT OF COVERAGE AN OPERATOR HAS TO DEMONSTRATE. THERE



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THE FIRST ONE IS THE BASELINE, IN A SENSE. IT SAYS THAT AMOUNTS ARE BASED ON THE COST -- THE CURRENT COST ESTIMATES IN THE CLOSURE PLAN AND THE POSTCLOSURE EXCEPTIONS OF THE SUBSEQUENT SECTIONS, MOST PLAN. OPERATORS WILL HAVE TO DEMONSTRATE FR IN THE AMOUNT OF THOSE COST ESTIMATES. ONE CAVEAT IS WITH RESPECT TO POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE.

THERE IT IS THE CURRENT POSTCLOSURE COST ESTIMATE, BUT DURING THE LAST 15 YEARS OF THE POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE PERIOD, AN OPERATOR MAY PETITION THE BOARD TO REDUCE THE REQUIRED AMOUNT OF COVERAGE TO THAT NECESSARY TO COVER THE EXPENSES DURING THE REMAINING LIFE. EXAMPLE, ASSUME THERE'S A 30-YEAR PERIOD FOR A LANDFILL. IT'S OPERATED FOR 15 YEARS. DURING THAT 15 YEARS, IT HAS TO HAVE 15 YEARS OF COVERAGE. AFTER THE 16TH YEAR, IT COULD PETITION THE BOARD TO HAVE ONLY 14 YEARS OF COVERAGE. SO IT WOULD REDUCE ITS COST ESTIMATE. AFTER 17 YEARS. IT WOULD DROP DOWN TO 13 YEARS AND SO FORTH.

THOSE PROVISIONS TO ADJUST THE COST ESTIMATE AREN'T IN THIS ARTICLE; RATHER, THEY'RE IN THE PROVISIONS HAVING TO DO WITH THE POSTCLOSURE PLAN.

SECTION B ALLOWS A BUILDUP PERIOD. BUILDUP WOULD APPLY TO BOTH ENTERPRISE FUNDS AND TRUST FUNDS. THE FORMULA THERE IS SUCH THAT THE LANDFILL



OPERATOR WILL GENERALLY HAVE TO FILL UP THE LANDFILL BY THE TIME THAT 50 PERCENT OF THE CAPACITY THAT EXISTS AT THE TIME THE RULES GO INTO EFFECT IS USED.

LET ME TAKE SOME TIME TO GO THROUGH SOME EXAMPLES SO WE ALL UNDERSTAND HOW THIS FORMULA OPERATES.

CT IS THE TOTAL PERMITTED CAPACITY. AS I MENTIONED

EARLIER, THAT'S THE CAPACITY AS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE.

CR IS THE REMAINING PERMITTED CAPACITY AS OF THE

EFFECTIVE DATE, THAT'S THE SAME AS CT. BUT OVER TIME IT

WILL DECREASE AS THE LANDFILL'S SPACE IS USED UP.

WE THINK OF THE FORMULA ONE MINUS CR OVER CT. REALLY, WHAT THAT GIVES US IS THE PERCENTAGE OF THE LANDFILL THAT'S FILLED SINCE THE EFFECTIVE DATE SINCE CR OVER CT WILL TELL US HOW MUCH REMAINS. IF WE TAKE THAT FRACTION FROM ONE, IT WILL TELL US HOW MUCH HAS BEEN USED. IF WE MULTIPLY IT BY TWO, THAT, IN EFFECT, REQUIRES THE BUILDUP TO BE TWICE AS FAST AS THE LANDFILL IS BEING USED.

LET'S TAKE AN EXAMPLE. ASSUME THERE'S A

NEW LANDFILL. IT'S GOT A HUNDRED UNITS OF PERMITTED

CAPACITY. AT THE TIME IT OPENS, CT, THE TOTAL CAPACITY,

IS EQUAL TO A HUNDRED AS IS THE REMAINING CAPACITY.

LET'S SAY IN THE FIRST YEAR OF OPERATION IT FILLS UP 10.

UNITS. OKAY. NOW, CR IS EQUAL TO 90, CT IS EQUAL TO A



HUNDRED. SO CR OVER CT IS EQUAL TO .9. ONE MINUS .9

GIVES US .1. WHICH SAYS THAT 10 PERCENT OF THE CAPACITY

HAS BEEN USED. IF WE MULTIPLY THAT BY TWO, WE'VE GOT 20

PERCENT. YOU MULTIPLY IT BY E, WHICH IS THE AMOUNT OF

COVERAGE THAT THEY'VE DEMONSTRATED, AND IT SAYS THAT THEY

HAVE -- THAT AT THE END OF THAT YEAR THEIR TRUST FUND HAS

TO CONTAIN 20 PERCENT OF THE AMOUNT OF COVERAGE THAT

THEY'RE PROVIDED. SO IF THEY USE 10 PERCENT OF THE

CAPACITY, THEN THEY HAVE TO BUILD UP THE TRUST OR

ENTERPRISE FUND TO 20 PERCENT.

LET'S SAY IN THE NEXT YEAR, THEY FILL IT UP AT THIS RATE OF 20 UNITS. NOW, THE REMAINING CAPACITY IS THE HUNDRED MINUS 10 MINUS 20 OR 70. SO CR OVER CT IS NOW .3 THEY'VE USED -- IS NOW .7 -- 70 PERCENT REMAINS, 30 PERCENT HAS BEEN FILLED. SO BY THE END OF THE SECOND YEAR. THEY HAVE TO HAVE 60 PERCENT OF THE TRUST FUND BUILT UP. WHAT THE OPERATOR WOULD DO IS -- WOULD MAKE THAT CALCULATION, GEE, IT HAS TO BE 60 PERCENT, AND THEN WOULD SUBTRACT FROM THAT 60 PERCENT WHAT THE BALANCE CURRENTLY IS AND HAVE TO PAY THAT DIFFERENCE INTO THE TRUST FUND.

AN ADVANTAGE OF THIS FORMULA, WHICH IS

BASED ON THE RATE OF LANDFILL UTILIZATION, IS THAT IT

REFLECTS THE OPERATOR'S ABILITY TO PAY. OPERATORS CAN

SET ASIDE FUNDS AS THEY GENERATE REVENUE, AND THE REVENUE



COMES FROM AS THEIR FILL IS USED. UNLIKE AN ALTERNATIVE
LIKE EQUAL ANNUAL INCREMENTS, THIS MUCH BETTER REFLECTS
THE OPERATOR'S ABILITY TO PAY.

FINALLY, LET'S GO THROUGH A QUICK EXAMPLE

OF WHAT IF THE LANDFILL HAS ALREADY BEEN USED. SAY THERE

WAS -- IT STARTED OPERATION SEVERAL YEARS AGO. IT HAD

INITIALLY 100 UNITS, NOW IT HAS 50 REMAINING AS OF THE

EFFECTIVE DATE. IN THIS CASE, CT, THE TOTAL PERMITTED

CAPACITY, IS ONLY 50. THAT'S HOW MUCH REMAINS AS OF THE

EFFECTIVE DATE. ALSO, THE REMAINING AS OF THE STARTING

POINT IS ALSO 50.

LET'S SAY IN THE FIRST YEAR AFTER THE

EFFECTIVE DATE, THE OPERATOR FILLS IT UP 10 MORE UNITS.

SO NOW CR OVER CT WILL EQUAL 40 OVER 50 OR .8. ONE MINUS

.8 IS .2. THEY'VE USED UP 20 PERCENT OF THEIR REMAINING

CAPACITY IN THAT YEAR, SO THEY WOULD HAVE TO BUILD UP THE

TRUST FUND EQUAL TO 40 PERCENT OF THE OVERALL COST

ESTIMATES THAT THEY'RE PROVIDING COVERAGE FOR. THAT'S

WHAT SUBSECTION B DOES.

OPERATORS STARTS OUT, THEY USE A LETTER OF CREDIT!

SEVERAL YEARS DOWN THE ROAD THEY WANT TO USE A TRUST FUND
OR ENTERPRISE. HOW MUCH PUT IN THE TRUST FUND TO START
WITH? THAT PROVISION SAYS THEY HAVE TO PUT IN AS MUCH AS
THEY WOULD HAVE IN IT, HAD THEY STARTED TO BUILD UP AS OF



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THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE REGS. THEY CAN'T START OVER WITH A TRUST FUND BALANCE OF ZERO. THEY HAVE TO INITIALLY STICK A SUBSTANTIAL SUM OF MONEY INTO IT BASED ON HOW THE FORMULA WOULD HAVE WORKED HAD THEY BEEN USING THAT OPTION ALL ALONG.

FINALLY, SUBSECTION D COVERS THOSE FACILITIES THAT ARE EXPECTED TO CLOSE IN THE NEXT FEW YEARS. SPECIFICALLY BEFORE SEPTEMBER 28, 1992.

IN THAT CASE, IF THEY USE A TRUST FUND OR ENTERPRISE FUND. THEIR SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS WON'T BE ACCORDING TO ANY FORMULA: RATHER, IT WILL BE NEGOTIATED WITH THE BOARD. THEY'LL COME UP WITH AN AGREEMENT THAT ESTABLISHES A SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS THAT THE BOARD AND LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES APPROVE.

THE FORMULA FOR THAT SCHEDULE MUST BE SUCH THAT BY THE DATE OF CLOSURE THEY HAVE TO HAVE THE FULL AMOUNT OF COVERAGE DEMONSTRATED SO THAT THEY CAN PAY FOR THE ASSURED COSTS.

IF THERE ARE NO QUESTIONS WITH THE AMOUNT OF COVERAGE, WE CAN MOVE ON THE NEXT PAGE IN TERMS OF WHICH MECHANISMS OR COMBINATIONS ARE ACCEPTABLE.

THE GENERAL STARTING POINT REFLECTED IN SUBSECTION A IS THAT ALL MECHANISMS OR COMBINATIONS OF MECHANISMS ARE ALLOWED. AND THEN IN THE REMAINING PROVISIONS. THERE ARE EXCEPTIONS TO THAT GENERAL RULE.



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FOR EXAMPLE, ENTERPRISE FUNDS AND GOVERNMENT SECURITIES CAN ONLY BE USED BY OPERATORS THAT ARE GOVERNMENT AGENCIES. ANOTHER KEY EXAMPLE IS THAT THE FINANCIAL TEST CANNOT BE COMBINED WITH A CORPORATE GUARANTEE IF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE GUARANTOR AND THE OPERATOR ARE CONSOLIDATED. TO ALLOW SUCH A COMBINATION WOULD BE TO DOUBLE COUNT THE ASSETS OF THE OPERATOR, AND AS A RESULT NOT GET THE STRINGENCY OF COVERAGE THAT'S DESIRED.

AND, FINALLY, SUBSECTION G SAYS THAT A FINANCIAL TEST OR GUARANTEE CAN ONLY BE USED FOR POSTCLOSURE, CANNOT BE USED FOR CLOSURE.

> THE NEXT SERIES OF SECTIONS --MR. CHAIRMAN. MS. BREMBERG.

BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: MR. BERG, WOULD YOU EXPLAIN WHAT YOU JUST SAID ON G AGAIN TO ME. PLEASE? MEAN, IT'S QUITE CLEAR, BUT I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY THE

WHAT WE DID HERE IS AS PART OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ACTIVITY WAS -- ONE OF THE MAJOR POINTS THAT WE'LL BE DISCUSSING A LITTLE BIT LATER HAS TO DO WITH SEPARATING THE NATURE OF THE COSTS FOR CLOSURE VERSUS THE NATURE OF THE ONGOING RESPONSIBILITY FOR MAINTAINING THE LANDFILL. I THINK ONE OF THE MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE WAS TO ENABLE US TO LOOK AT THOSE AS



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PRIMARILY A CAPITAL COST. AND THE MAINTENANCE COST BEING
AN OPERATING-TYPE OF COST.

WE PUT IT THIS WAY TO BE CONSISTENT WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE FOR THE PUBLIC FINANCIAL MECHANISMS. WE CAN TALK ABOUT THAT A LITTLE BIT FURTHER WHEN WE GET TO THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS.

BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: FINE. THANK YOU.

BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: MR. CHAIRMAN.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: YES, MR. BEAUTROW.

BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: IF YOU RECALL, SOME OF THE PUBLIC AGENCIES THAT CAME BEFORE US TALKED ABOUT THE POTENTIAL OF POOLING THE VARIOUS SITES THAT THEY OPERATE SINCE THEY ALL -- RATHER THAN EACH STAND ALONE. WOULD YOU INTERPRET HOW THAT WOULD APPLY? DOES THIS PROHIBIT ANYBODY FROM DOING THAT? EACH SITE HAS TO STAND ALONE AND HAVE ITS FUNDING SPECIFICALLY, OR CAN IT BE POOLED FOR THE WHOLE AGENCY?

MR. ORR: I THINK WE'LL BE TALKING ABOUT THAT MORE IN -- ALSO THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE WITH WHAT IS DESCRIBED AS A SYSTEMS CONCEPT. WHAT THIS WOULD SAY IS THAT EACH INDIVIDUAL LANDFILL WOULD HAVE TO DEDICATE A PORTION OF THEIR REVENUE FOR CLOSURE. THAT POOLING WOULD OCCUR MORE IN TERMS OF THE ABILITY OF THAT AGENCY TO MAINTAIN THE LANDFILL ON THE LONG TERM. SO



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THAT'S -- THAT --

BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: YOU'RE GOING TO DISCUSS IT FURTHER THEN?

> MR. ORR: YEAH. UH-HUH.

MR. BERG: IF YOU HAVE NO FURTHER QUESTIONS. I'LL MOVE ON TO THE TRUST FUND.

THE TRUST FUND IS THE ONE MECHANISM THAT'S SPECIFICALLY ALLOWED BY THE STATUTE. IN A TRUST FUND THE OPERATOR WOULD TRANSFER OWNERSHIP OF FUNDS TO A TRUSTEE. THE DRAFT REGULATIONS REQUIRE THAT THE TRUSTEE'S OPERATIONS BE REGULATED AND EXAMINED BY A FEDERAL OR STATE AGENCY. THAT MANDATORY QUALIFICATION PROVIDES SOME ASSURANCE THAT THE TRUSTEE WILL MANAGE THE FUNDS PROPERLY, IS NOT LIKELY TO BECOME BANKRUPT OR INSOLVENT.

THE WORDING OF THE TRUST FUND IS SPECIFIED IN THE CALIFORNIA WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD FORM 1000, WHICH IS REPRODUCED LATER IN THE PACKAGE.

BY HAVING A REQUIRED FORM THAT ALL OPERATORS USING THE TRUST FUND MUST USE WILL REDUCE THE ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES TO OPERATORS, MAKE IT MUCH EASIER FOR THEM TO FIGURE OUT, GEE, WHAT SORT OF MECHANISM DO I HAVE TO USE. THEY WON'T HAVE TO HAVE THEIR ATTORNEYS GO THROUGH AND DRAFT SOMETHING NEW. BY STANDARDIZATION, MAY ALSO INCREASE THE AVAILABILITY FROM TRUSTEES. THEY CAN GET SOME EXPERIENCE WITH THAT PARTICULAR LANGUAGE. AND.



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FINALLY, IT WILL ALSO SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE THE ADMINISTRATIVE COST TO THE BOARD AND ITS STAFF, NOT REQUIRING DETAILED FINANCIAL AND LEGAL OPINIONS ON WHAT THE EFFECTIVENESS AND LEGALITY OF WORDING THAT SPECIFIC OPERATORS PROPOSE TO USE. IN ADDITION, IT ALSO PROVIDES CERTAINTY THAT THE MECHANISM IS EFFECTIVE AND WILL OPERATE EFFICIENTLY. AS PROPOSED. THE WORDING OF THE MECHANISM WOULD NOT BE IN THE REGULATIONS. RATHER, THE WORDING WOULD BE INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE. THIS IS A PROCESS

THAT DHS USES. IT LISTS IN THE REGULATIONS THE FORM AND MANDATES THAT OPERATORS USE THAT FORM. ONE OF THE GENERAL IDEAS THERE IS IT BECOMES SOMEWHAT CUMBERSOME TO STICK THAT REQUIRED LANGUAGE INTO THE REGULATIONS. ADDITION, IN A SENSE, IT REQUIRES SOME DUPLICATION. THEY WOULD BOTH HAVE TO BE THERE AS WELL AS ON FORMS.

THE NEXT MECHANISM IS THE ENTERPRISE FUND. WHICH CAN BE USED ONLY FOR PUBLIC AGENCIES. PUBLIC OPERATORS.

IN LOOKING THROUGH THE OTHER FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY PROGRAMS, I DIDN'T FIND ANY GOOD EXAMPLES OF AN ENTERPRISE FUND AS A MECHANISM. AS A RESULT, THE LANGUAGE CRAFTED HERE IS NEW AND SHOULD BE SUBJECT AS TO VERY DETAILED SCRUTINY.

THERE ARE TWO PARTS OF THE ENTERPRISE FUND.



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ONE IS SETTING UP THE FUND THAT GENERATES THE REVENUES AND MAKING SURE THAT THOSE REVENUES ARE DEDICATED TO PAYING FOR CLOSURE AND/OR POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE COSTS.

THE SECOND PART OF THE MECHANISM IS REQUIRING THAT THOSE FUNDS BE DEPOSITED INTO A PARTICULAR IN SUBSECTION C IT DESCRIBES WHAT ARE MECHANISM. BASICALLY PERFORMANCE CRITERIA THAT THAT MECHANISM MUST MEET. BY HAVING PERFORMANCE CRITERIA, IT GIVES THE PUBLIC AGENCIES THE FLEXIBILITY TO DESIGN A SYSTEM THAT MEETS THEIR NEEDS AS WELL AS THOSE OF THE BOARD.

THE FLIP SIDE OF THE FLEXIBILITY IS IT WILL REQUIRE SOME ADDITIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS BY THE BOARD AND TO SOME EXTENT BY LOCAL AGENCIES AS IT WILL BE ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS THAT THE BOARD WILL NEED TO APPROVE PARTICULAR MECHANISMS.

THERE ARE FIVE PRIMARY CRITERIA OR PERFORMANCE STANDARDS THAT THIS MECHANISM MUST MEET. FIRST, THE FUNDS SHALL REMAIN INVIOLATE. THEY HAVE TO BE SET ASIDE AND UNAVAILABLE FOR ANY USE OTHER THAN CLOSURE OR POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE.

SECOND, IF FOR ANY REASON THE OPERATOR DOESN'T COMPLY WITH ITS REQUIREMENTS TO PROPERLY CLOSE AND CONDUCT POSTCLOSURE ACTIVITIES, THE BOARD COULD DIRECT THAT THE FUNDS BE USED FOR THOSE ACTIVITIES. THIRD, THERE IS A STANDARD FOR PROVIDERS.



THE PERSON THAT HANDLES THE MECHANISMS, BE IT A TRUSTEE OR OTHER TYPE OF ENTITY. EITHER THEY HAVE TO BE REGULATED OR OTHERWISE CERTAIN TO MAINTAIN AND DISBURSE THE ASSURED FUNDS PROPERLY. THE FOURTH STANDARD IS THAT FUNDS BE PROPERLY INVESTED. AND FIFTH IS A CATCHALL THAT THE BOARD COULD REQUIRE ADDITIONAL STANDARDS ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS. IF IT DETERMINES THAT THEY'RE NECESSARY TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT THE FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE IN A TIMELY MANNER. 10 THE NEXT SECTION HAS TO DO WITH GOVERNMENT 12 SECURITIES. RATHER THAN SPECIFYING ALL THE TYPES OF 13 GOVERNMENT SECURITIES THAT ARE ALLOWABLE, THIS PROVISION -- THIS SECTION MERELY SAYS THAT MOST ANY GOVERNMENT SECURITIES COULD WORK BECAUSE THE KEY ISSUE 16 ISN'T HOW THE MONEY IS RAISED. BUT RATHER MAKING SURE 17 THAT THE FUNDS. ONCE THEY ARE RAISED, ARE AVAILABLE TO

PAY FOR THE ASSURED COSTS.

AS A RESULT, SUBSECTION C -- SUBSECTION B, EXCUSE ME. REFERS BACK TO THE PERFORMANCE CRITERIA OF AN ENTERPRISE FUND AND SAYS THAT FUNDS GENERATED BY GOVERNMENT SECURITIES MUST BE DEPOSITED INTO A MECHANISM THAT MEETS THOSE STANDARDS.

THE NEXT MECHANISM IS THE LETTER OF CREDIT. IT'S AVAILABLE TO BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE OPERATORS.



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LETTER OF CREDIT IS TO SOME EXTENT A GUARANTEE. IT SAYS
THE INSTITUTION THAT PROVIDES A GUARANTEE, WHICH IS
USUALLY A BANK, GUARANTEES THAT IF THE OPERATOR FAILS TO
PERFORM THE REQUIRED ACTIVITIES, THAT THE BANK WILL COME
UP WITH THE FUNDS TO DO SO. WHAT WOULD HAPPEN? AN
OPERATOR DOESN'T CONDUCT CLOSURE, IT DOESN'T HAVE THE
FUNDS, OR FOR ANY OTHER REASON DOESN'T PERFORM, THE BOARD
SO DETERMINES, THE BOARD WOULD TAKE THE LETTER OF CREDIT,
PRESENT IT TO THE BANK, AND HAVE THE BANK PUT THOSE FUNDS
INTO A DEPOSITORY TRUST FUND. THEN THE BOARD WOULD
DIRECT THOSE FUNDS TO BE SPENT FOR THE ACTIVITIES THAT
ARE ASSURED BUT THE OPERATOR IS FAILING TO PERFORM
PROPERLY.

LETTER OF -- INSTITUTION ISSUING THE LETTER
OF CREDIT HAS TO MEET SOME GENERAL STANDARDS. BASICALLY,
THEY HAVE TO BE REGULATED BY A STATE OR FEDERAL AGENCY SO
THAT THEY'RE CERTAIN TO OPERATE PROPERLY, AND THOSE FUNDS
WILL BE AVAILABLE WHEN NEEDED.

THE NEXT MECHANISM IS THE SURETY BOND ON PAGE 10. IT'S ALSO ANOTHER FORM OF GUARANTEE. IT SAYS IF THE OPERATOR FAILS TO PERFORM AS ASSURED, THAT THE SURETY WILL EITHER PERFORM THE ACTIVITIES ON BEHALF OF THE OPERATOR OR SET ASIDE FUNDS TO PAY FOR THOSE COSTS.

THERE ARE TWO TYPES OF SURETY BONDS, AND
THEY'RE BOTH ALLOWED BY THESE REGULATIONS. THE FIRST IS



barrısters' reporting service A PERFORMANCE BOND. UNDER THAT ARRANGEMENT, THE SURETY
COMPANY HAS THE OPTION OF EITHER PERFORMING THE ASSURED
ACTIVITIES OR SETTING ASIDE THE FUNDS. THE SECOND TYPE
OF SURETY BOND IS A PAYMENT BOND IN WHICH THE SURETY CAN
ONLY SET ASIDE THE FUNDS. BOTH OF THOSE ARE ALLOWED BY
THIS LANGUAGE. ALTHOUGH THERE ARE SEPARATE FORMS FOR EACH
TYPE OF MECHANISM.

THE NEXT MECHANISM, WHICH STARTS ON THE SAME PAGE. IS THE FINANCIAL MEANS TEST. THE IDEA OF A FINANCIAL MEANS TEST IS TO PREDICT THE ABILITY OF AN OPERATOR TO PAY FOR ASSURED COSTS. IT'S DESIGNED SO THAT IF, BY CHANCE, THE OPERATOR'S FINANCIAL CONDITIONS FAIL, BY THE TIME THAT'S DETECTED -- WHICH THE OPERATOR HAS TO SHOW THAT IT PASSES YEARLY -- BY THE TIME THAT'S DETECTED, THE OPERATOR STILL SHOULD HAVE ENOUGH FUNDS AVAILABLE TO ESTABLISH A TRUST FUND FOR THE ENTIRE AMOUNT OF COVERAGE.

DEVELOPED THESE TERMS WHICH ARE CURRENTLY USED IN EPA'S HAZARDOUS WASTE FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY RULES. HERE'S HOW THE MECHANISM WOULD WORK. AN OPERATOR FIRST PASSES THE TEST AND DOCUMENTS THAT. IT WOULD HAVE TO HAVE A LETTER FROM ITS CHIEF FINANCIAL OPERATOR, WOULD HAVE TO HAVE A CPA DO SOME INDEPENDENT ANALYSIS TO MAKE SURE THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS USED FOR THAT TEST ARE VALID AND



ACCURATE. IN THE NEXT YEAR, AT THE END OF THAT COMPANY
OR AGENCY'S FISCAL YEAR, IT HAS TO CHECK AGAIN.

LET'S SAY IN THAT SECOND YEAR THE OPERATOR

CAN'T PASS THE TEST. WHAT HAPPENS THEN? THE OPERATOR

HAS UNTIL 120 DAYS AFTER THE CLOSE OF ITS FISCAL YEAR TO

DEMONSTRATE ALTERNATE COVERAGE.

WHO CAN USE THE FINANCIAL TEST? IT'S

DESIGNED PRIMARILY FOR PRIVATE AGENCIES. IN ADDITION, I

HAD ONE OF MY STAFF MEMBERS CHECK WITH EPA THIS MORNING

ABOUT WHAT EPA'S POLICY IS CONCERNING WHAT PUBLIC

AGENCIES CAN USE THE TEST. EPA'S OFFICIAL POLICY IS THAT

SOME PUBLIC AGENCIES, IF THEY CAN SATISFY ALL THE

REQUIREMENTS HERE, CAN USE THE TEST.

AS FAR AS I KNOW, THERE HAVE ONLY BEEN A
HANDFUL OF INCIDENTS WHERE EPA HAS SPECIFICALLY ALLOWED
PUBLIC AGENCIES TO USE THE TEST. STATE PROGRAMS HAVE
PROBABLY ALLOWED ADDITIONAL INSTANCES FOR THE TEST TO BE
USED BY PUBLIC AGENCIES.

BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: MR. CHAIRMAN.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: YES, MS. BREMBERG.

BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: WOULD YOU GIVE ME AN EXAMPLE OF WHERE YOU SAID EPA ALLOWED FINANCIAL MEANS
TEST ON A PUBLIC AGENCY AND WHAT ARE ACTUALLY THE
CRITERIA THAT THEY USE THAT A PUBLIC AGENCY COULDN'T MEET
ON THESE THINGS? AND IF A PUBLIC AGENCY MET THESE, WHY



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WOULD THEY SAY THEY COULDN'T USE THEM?

MR. BERG: I DON'T HAVE ANY -- AT THIS TIME I

DON'T HAVE ANY SPECIFIC INFORMATION ON WHAT AGENCIES AND

WHAT THEIR FINANCIAL STATEMENTS LOOKED LIKE.

BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: I DIDN'T ASK YOU THAT.

YOU SAID THAT EPA ONLY ALLOWED A FEW PUBLIC

AGENCIES. CERTAINLY YOU KNOW WHICH ONES THEY ARE.

MR. BERG: I PERSONALLY DO NOT KNOW. IN GENERAL THE FINANCIAL TERMS USED HERE ARE THINGS THAT DON'T APPLY TO GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTING. THE CONCEPT OF NET INCOME ISN'T ONE THAT'S USED FOR CITY OPERATIONS IN GENERAL. THE NET WORTH --

BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: BUT IT'S ALWAYS

AVAILABLE WHETHER THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND THE

TERMINOLOGY IS USED, THERE ISN'T AN EXTANT IN THE UNITED

STATES THAT DOESN'T KNOW WHAT THEIR NET INCOME IS. THE

COLLECTION POINT MAY BE AN ENTIRELY DIFFERENT TITLE, BUT

I CAN GUARANTEE YOU THAT YOU KNOW HOW MUCH MONEY YOU GET

IN AND WHAT THE NET WORTH IS AND SO FORTH AND SO ON, NO

MATTER WHAT THE TERMS ARE.

MR. BERG: THERE'S INCOME THAT ANY GOVERNMENT

AGENCY KNOWS. TO CALL IT NET IS A LITTLE BIT DIFFERENT

OF AN ISSUE. THERE'S ALSO A -- PRIVATE COMPANY FOR THE

MOST PART CAN SELL ITS ASSETS IF IT NEEDS TO PAY FOR

COVERAGE. I WOULDN'T EXPECT A CITY OR COUNTY TO SELL ITS



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FIRE DEPARTMENT. THE SORTS OF SITUATIONS WHERE THE TEST
MAY WORK FOR A PUBLIC AGENCY ARE WHERE IT'S A SPECIFIC
ENTITY THAT'S SET UP TO OPERATE ALMOST ON A PROFIT BASIS.

BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: WELL, A GREAT MANY
CITIES HAVE THOSE. THEY JUST CALL THEM DIFFERENT THINGS.

MR. BERG: RIGHT. IN SOME OF THESE --

BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: THEY CALL THEM USER FEES
OR WHATEVER YOU WISH OR -- BUT TERMINOLOGY -- BUT A CITY
OR A COUNTY OR A STATE GOVERNMENT HAS VERY CLEARLY
DEFINED ASSETS. AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AT THE
PRESENT TIME IS BUSY SELLING OFF THINGS TO PAY CERTAIN
OBLIGATIONS OR TO RAISE REVENUE. SO I DON'T UNDERSTAND
WHY -- I'M NOT PICKING ON YOU, BUT YOU MADE THE STATEMENT
THAT EPA HAS INDICATED THAT ONLY A FEW PUBLIC AGENCIES
WERE ELIGIBLE UNDER THESE CRITERIA. I DON'T UNDERSTAND
WHY THEY SAY THAT, AND YOU MUST HAVE BEEN CURIOUS OR YOU
WOULDN'T HAVE CHECKED IT.

MR. BERG: TWO POINTS. ONE IS EPA. IT'S ITS
HAZARDOUS WASTE PROGRAM THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT. IN
THERE THERE ARE RELATIVELY FEW PUBLIC AGENCIES THAT RUN
HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITIES, UNLIKE SOLID WASTE.

BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: I UNDERSTAND. BUT WHY
APPLY THOSE PARTICULAR CRITERIA TO SOLID WASTE WHEN YOU
VERY CLEARLY DIFFERENTIATE BETWEEN THE TWO? IS A
FINANCIAL MEANS TEST THAT YOU LIST HERE USING THE



HAZARDOUS WASTE CRITERIA. ARE THEY TRULY APPLICABLE TO SOLID WASTE?

MR. BERG: YES, THEY ARE. THE DIFFERENCE IN THE REGULATED COMMUNITIES IS SUCH THAT THERE MAY ONLY BE A HUNDRED LOCAL GOVERNMENTS NATIONWIDE THAT HAVE HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITIES. IT'S A MUCH SMALLER POPULATION ANYWAY THAN SOLID WASTE, SO THERE ARE FEWER INSTANCES WHERE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS HAVE TRIED TO USE THE TEST.

ONE. THAT WE DO NEED TO GO AND GET SOME MORE DETAILS
ABOUT WHICH LOCAL GOVERNMENTS MIGHT BE ABLE TO USE THIS
TEST AND POSSIBLY INCORPORATE THOSE INTO THE TERMS OF THE
REGULATION.

BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: THAT'S WHAT I'M GETTING AT. THAT'S MY BOTTOM LINE IS THAT YOU'VE ARBITRARILY AND CAPRICIOUSLY. IN MY OPINION, ELIMINATED ALL LOCAL GOVERNMENTS BY THE STATEMENT THAT YOU MADE. I DON'T READ IN HERE ANYPLACE WHERE YOU SAY THAT LOCAL -- AND I INCLUDE COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT -- SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO OR SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO, BY YOUR CRITERIA ENUNCIATED. THAT IT'S VALID POINT TO BE USED.

MR. BERG: JUST ONE MORE RESPONSE. EPA

DEVELOPED THIS TEST BASED ON A CONSIDERABLE ANALYSIS. IT

ANALYZED WHAT CUTOFFS AND NET WORTH TELL US THE

LIKELIHOOD THAT A PRIVATE BUSINESS WILL GO BANKRUPT. IT



FOUND THAT THE TANGIBLE NET WORTH OF 10 MILLION WAS A GOOD DIVIDING POINT. FIRMS THAT HAS AT LEAST THAT IN TANGIBLE NET WORTH WERE HALF AS LIKELY AS SMALLER FIRMS TO GO BANKRUPT.

DIFFERENT CRITERIA. ALL OF ITS ANALYSIS WAS FOCUSED ON PRIVATE BUSINESSES. AS A RESULT, THERE IS RELATIVELY LITTLE BACKGROUND TO SAY THAT THESE CRITERIA CAN REALLY WORK AND ARE GOOD PREDICTORS OF ABILITY TO PAY FOR LOCAL AGENCIES, UNLESS, BY CHANCE, THE AGENCIES ARE CONSTRUCTED AND OPERATE AND HAVE THE SAME PRESSURES AND INCENTIVES AS PRIVATE BUSINESSES.

WE'LL DISCUSS -- KAREN AND BILL WILL
DISCUSS LATER THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PUBLIC SECTOR TEST,
DESIGNED SPECIFICALLY FOR THE PUBLIC SECTOR, AND I THINK
THAT MAY TAKE CARE OF A LOT OF YOUR CONCERNS. THAT TEST,
ONCE DEVELOPED, WILL PROBABLY APPLY TO MUCH MORE THAN
WHAT I SEE ARE THE RELATIVELY HANDFUL OF SITUATIONS OR
OPERATORS THAT COULD USE THIS TEST DESIGNED FOR PRIVATE
ENTITIES.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: MR. BROWN.

BOARD MEMBER BROWN: GINGER, YOU FOCUSED AN AREA
THAT WE SPENT SOME TIME ON, TOO, AND HAD YOUR SAME
CONCERNS. HOWEVER, IN ORDER TO HELP YOU UNDERSTAND A
LITTLE BIT, YOU'VE GOT TO UNDERSTAND, I THINK, THAT YOU



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AND I. AS BOARD MEMBERS. WILL SIT HERE IN JUDGMENT OF A PUBLIC ENTITY THAT COMES BEFORE US AND SAYS, "WE HAVE CLOSURE/POSTCLOSURE COSTS COVERED. AND HERE'S OUR FINANCIAL MEANS TEST THAT WE PRESENT TO YOU." AND WE WOULD HAVE DIFFICULTY DOING THAT, I THINK, BECAUSE, AS YOU AND I BOTH KNOW AND HAS BEEN PRESENTED HERE, A PUBLIC AGENCY DOESN'T REALLY HAVE NET ASSETS TO PLEDGE THAT A PRIVATE INDUSTRY DOES. AND YOU AREN'T GOING TO CONVINCE THIS BOARD THAT A PUBLIC AGENCY HAS THAT.

BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: BUT A PUBLIC AGENCY IS

NEITHER GOING TO DECLARE BANKRUPTCY AND SNEAK AWAY INTO

THE NIGHT.

BOARD MEMBER BROWN: THAT'S NOT THE ISSUE HERE.
THIS IS JUST ONE OF VARIOUS MECHANISMS.

BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: I UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT WHAT I'M SAYING IS "VE" GOT TO SEPARATE IT AND MAKE -- BECAUSE THEY DON'T FALL INTO THE SAME CATEGORY. PRIVATE INDUSTRY DOES ONE THING. THEY COLLECT GARBAGE AND DISPOSE OF IT. PUBLIC AGENCIES PROVIDE POLICE PROTECTION, SIDEWALKS, STREETS, PLANTS, FIRE PROTECTION, SOCIAL SERVICES, THE WHOLE BALL OF WAX, SO THE FIELD IS NOT EVEN. THEY'VE GOT TO BE SEPARATED.

BOARD MEMBER BROWN: UNDER THE CATEGORY OF
FINANCIAL MEANS TESTS, AS ONE OF THE MECHANISMS TO
PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSURETY, I DON'T THINK A PUBLIC AGENCY



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CAN QUALIFY UNDER THE FINANCIAL MEANS TEST THAT EXISTS TODAY. WE MAY DISCUSS SOMETHING IN A LITTLE WHILE HERE. PUBLIC AGENCIES HAVE SOME OTHER MECHANISMS THAT PRIVATE INDUSTRIES DON'T HAVE. AND I THINK THAT'S WHERE QUID PRO QUO IS GOING TO COME.

MR. BERG: THE NEXT SECTION IS RESERVE. THAT'S A SECTION WHERE THE BOARD WILL PROBABLY PUT SOME SPECIFIC MECHANISMS FOR PUBLIC AGENCIES, POSSIBLY INCLUDING PUBLIC SECTOR FINANCIAL MEANS TEST.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: SATISFIED TO MOVE ON?

THE FOLLOWING SECTION IS A GUARANTEE. THE FIRST ISSUE IS WHO CAN ISSUE A GUARANTEE. WELL. I'VE TAKEN TERMS FROM EPA'S RULES THAT ALLOW GUARANTEES BY THREE TYPES OF ENTITIES.

FIRST IS THE CORPORATE PARENT OR GRANDPARENT OF AN OPERATOR.

THE SECOND WOULD BE WHAT CAN BE CALLED CORPORATE SIBLINGS. TWO FIRMS THAT. SAME CORPORATE PARENT, COULD OFFER GUARANTEES ON BEHALF OF EACH OTHER.

THE THIRD CATEGORY ARE FIRMS ENGAGED IN THE SUBSTANTIAL BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP WITH THE OPERATOR. THEY'D ISSUE THE GUARANTEE INCIDENT TO THAT BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP. IF A PUBLIC SECTOR FINANCIAL MEANS TEST IS DEVELOPED, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE, I THINK, TO EXPAND THESE QUALIFICATIONS TO ALLOW A PUBLIC SECTOR TO ISSUE A



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THERE MAY BE VERY GOOD REASONS WHY A CITY OR COUNTY WOULD WANT TO ISSUE A GUARANTEE ON BEHALF OF THE OPERATOR, AND THAT WORK JUST FINE WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF A GUARANTEE.

THE NEXT ISSUE IS THAT -- HOW ARE WE CERTAIN THAT ELIGIBLE PARTIES WILL MAKE GOOD ON THEIR OBLIGATIONS. IT'S DONE BY REQUIRING THE GUARANTOR TO PASS THE FINANCIAL MEANS TEST. THE PRIVATE AGENCY FIRM WOULD HAVE TO PASS THE PRIVATE FIRM TEST. A PUBLIC AGENCY THE PUBLIC TEST. HOW WOULD THIS MECHANISM WORK?

IF THE OPERATOR FAILED TO PERFORM CLOSURE OR POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE, THEN THE GUARANTOR WOULD EITHER PERFORM ON BEHALF OF THE OPERATOR OR ESTABLISH A TRUST FUND ON BEHALF OF THE OPERATOR. AS A RESULT, THERE WOULD BE CERTAINTY THAT FUNDS WOULD BE AVAILABLE.

IF A GUARANTOR IN ONE YEAR PASSES THE TEST AND THE NEXT FAILS, THE OPERATOR WOULD BE REQUIRED TO GET ALTERNATE COVERAGE. IF THE OPERATOR DOESN'T DO THAT IN A TIMELY FASHION. THEN THE BOARD COULD REQUIRE THE GUARANTOR TO MAKE GOOD ON ITS OBLIGATION TO PERFORM OR PAY. THE GUARANTEE KIND OF COMPLETES THE SECTIONS THAT DESCRIBE ALLOWABLE MECHANISMS.

NOW, WE CAN MOVE ON TO SOME OF THE MORE OPERATIONAL DETAILS OF THE PROGRAM.



THE FIRST ONE IS THE SECTION ON

SUBSTITUTION BY OPERATORS. THE GOAL OF THIS SECTION IS

TO ENSURE THAT THERE IS CONTINUOUSLY EFFECTIVE COVERAGE
IN PLACE. WHAT THIS SECTION ACCOMPLISHES, IT SAYS THAT

THE OPERATOR CANNOT CANCEL EXISTING COVERAGE UNTIL IT

SHOWS THE BOARD THAT IT'S GOT COVERAGE TO TAKE ITS PLACE.

IT'S RELATIVELY STRAIGHTFORWARD.

THE NEXT SECTION HAS TO DO NOT WHEN THE OPERATOR WANTS TO CANCEL COVERAGE, BUT RATHER WHEN THE PROVIDER WANTS TO CANCEL THE COVERAGE. FOR EXAMPLE, A BANK MAY BELIEVE THAT AN OPERATOR NO LONGER PRESENTS A GOOD RISK. THEIR FINANCIAL CONDITION HAS DETERIORATED. THE BANK WANTS TO GET OUT OF ITS OBLIGATION.

THIS SECTION ALSO HAS THE SAME OBJECTIVE AS
THE PREVIOUS ONE. THE GOAL HERE IS TO ENSURE CONTINUOUS
EFFECTIVE COVERAGE. SAY THE BANK TRIED TO CANCEL. THE
FIRST STEP IT HAS TO GO THROUGH IS TO PROVIDE NOTICE,
BOTH TO THE OPERATOR AS WELL AS TO THE BOARD AND LOCAL
ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES. ONCE THAT NOTICE HAS BEEN
RECEIVED, THE MECHANISM CAN BE CANCELED WITHIN 120 DAYS
OR MORE.

DURING THE FIRST 60 DAYS OF THAT PERIOD,
THE OPERATOR HAS TO DEMONSTRATE ALTERNATE COVERAGE. THE
LETTER OF CREDIT IS GOING TO BE CANCELED; THE OPERATOR
HAS TO GET SOME OTHER COVERAGE. IF, AFTER THAT THAT 60



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DAYS. THE OPERATOR FAILS TO DO THAT, IT HAS TO NOTIFY THE BOARD OF SUCH FAILURE, AND THEN THE BOARD CAN TAKE ACTION: FOR EXAMPLE, BY REQUIRING THE BANK THAT ISSUED THE LETTER OF CREDIT TO SET ASIDE THOSE FUNDS OR IT COULD DRAW ON THAT MECHANISM.

THE NEXT SECTION HAS TO DO WITH BANKRUPTCY.

BANKRUPTCY OF WHOM? WELL, THE FIRST IS BANKRUPTCY OF THE OPERATOR. THE BOARD NEEDS TO KNOW IF AN OPERATOR GOES BANKRUPT. THAT OPERATOR IS LESS LIKELY TO PROPERLY CARE FOR THE FACILITY. ALSO, THERE MAY BE CONCERNS ABOUT WHETHER FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY COVERAGE REMAINS EFFECTIVE. SO QUICKLY, WITHIN 10 DAYS, AFTER THE OPERATOR IS INVOLVED IN ANY BANKRUPTCY ACTION, IT HAS TO NOTIFY THE BOARD AND LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.

THE SECOND ISSUE IS WHAT IF, BY CHANCE, THE PROVIDER OF COVERAGE ALSO GOES BANKRUPT? THE REGULATIONS ARE DESIGNED SO THAT IS VERY UNLIKELY TO OCCUR. THE GUARANTOR HAS TO MEET A FINANCIAL TEST, AND A FINANCIAL TEST SAYS THAT GUARANTOR ISN'T GOING TO GO BANKRUPT WHEN IT IS OFFERING THAT COVERAGE, BUT THERE'S STILL THE UNLIKELY POSSIBILITY. WELL, TO PROTECT AGAINST THAT, IF THE PROVIDER GOES BANKRUPT, IT HAS TO NOTIFY THE OPERATOR AS WELL AS THE BOARD AND LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.

THE THIRD SORT OF REQUIREMENT HAS TO DO
WITH WHAT HAPPENS IF THE PROVIDER GOES BANKRUPT OR IF THE



PROVIDER'S AUTHORITY TO ISSUE THE MECHANISM IS SOMEHOW NO LONGER VALID. IT'S A BANK THAT BECOMES INSOLVENT. IT'S A SURETY COMPANY THAT'S NO LONGER LISTED ON CIRCULAR 570, WHICH IS ONE OF THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR SURETY. IN THAT CASE, THEN, THE OPERATOR, ONCE IT HAS NOTICE OF THE SITUATION, HAS 60 DAYS TO COME UP WITH ALTERNATE COVERAGE, AND IF IT DOESN'T DEMONSTRATE THAT COVERAGE, HAS TO NOTIFY THE BOARD.

THE NEXT SECTION, THE DEPOSITORY TRUST FUND PRIMARILY APPLIES JUST TO THE LETTER OF CREDIT AND SURETY BOND. THE OBJECTIVE HERE IS THAT WHEN PROVIDERS HAVE TO SET ASIDE FUNDS UNDER THOSE MECHANISMS, THAT THE BOARD ITSELF CAN'T RECEIVE THE FUNDS. IT WOULD HAVE TO GO TO THE GENERAL TREASURY OF THE STATE. INSTEAD, THEY'RE DEPOSITED INTO THIS SEPARATE MECHANISM.

TRUST FUNDS. THERE'S A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A STANDBY AND DEPOSITORY. THE STANDBY TRUST FUND HAS TO BE SET UP WHEN THE MECHANISM THAT IT SUPPORTS IS ESTABLISHED. FOR EXAMPLE, UNDER EPA'S RULES, IF YOU SET UP A LETTER OF CREDIT, AT THE SAME TIME YOU HAVE TO SET UP A STANDBY TRUST FUND. AND THEN THERE'S CERTAINTY THAT WHEN THE MECHANISM IS DRAWN ON, THE LETTER OF CREDIT IS DRAWN ON, THAT THE FUNDS CAN BE DEPOSITED SOMEWHERE. SO THAT TO SOME EXTENT MAY BE A COSTLY ARRANGEMENT BECAUSE OF THE



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NEED TO ESTABLISH THE MECHANISM THAT MAY NEVER BE USED AND CONTINUE IT IN EFFECT OVER TIME.

INSTEAD. AT THE STAFF'S DIRECTION, WE DEVELOPED A DIFFERENT, LESS EXPENSIVE OPTION THAT SHOULD BE JUST AS EFFECTIVE: AND. THAT IS, WHEN THE TRUST FUND IS NEEDED. THEN IT'S ESTABLISHED.

WHO HAS RESPONSIBILITY TO ESTABLISH IT? WELL. IT'S FIRST THE OPERATOR'S RESPONSIBILITY. BOARD HAS FOUND THE OPERATOR ISN'T CONDUCTING CLOSURE PROPERLY. FOR EXAMPLE. IT'S GOT A LETTER OF CREDIT. THE BOARD WANTS TO DRAW ON IT. FIRST. THE BOARD SAYS TO THE OPERATOR. "NOW IS THE TIME TO SET UP THE STANDBY DEPOSITORY TRUST FUND. A MECHANISM THAT THE BANK CAN DEPOSIT FUNDS INTO."

IF, BY CHANCE, THE OPERATOR FAILS TO, WHICH COULD HAPPEN. THE OPERATOR COULD BE RECALCITRANT. IT MIGHT NOT HAVE ANY FUNDS AVAILABLE TO DO SO. SITUATION. THE BOARD COULD REQUIRE THE BANK TO ACTUALLY SET UP THE DEPOSITORY TRUST FUND BECAUSE THE RESPONSIBILITY ALSO GOES TO THE BANK, THE BOARD'S CERTAIN THAT THAT MECHANISM WILL BE SET UP.

THE FORM THAT WOULD BE USED FOR THE MECHANISM IS BASICALLY THE FORM THAT'S USED FOR THE REGULAR TRUST FUND MECHANISM.

IT'S COMMON IN OTHER PROGRAMS THAT THE SAME



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WORDING OF THE MECHANISM CAN BE USED FOR BOTH FUNCTIONS
BECAUSE ONCE THE FUNDS ARE DRAWN AND PUT INTO THE TRUST
FUND. IT BASICALLY OPERATES IN THE SAME MANNER WITH THE
SAME PURPOSE.

THE NEXT SECTION ON PAGE 16, THE
RECORDKEEPING AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS. THE GENERAL
IDEA HERE IS THE BOARD HAS TO STAY INFORMED OF CERTAIN
ACTIVITIES AND BE ABLE TO OBTAIN CERTAIN RECORDS. THESE
RECORDS ARE OF ESSENTIAL IMPORTANCE IN THE CASE OF
FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY. THE BOARD DOESN'T HAVE THAT
PIECE OF PAPER THAT'S THE LETTER OF CREDIT. IT MAY BE
UNABLE TO DRAW ON IT. IT NEEDS THAT SPECIFIC WORDING
WITH THE LETTER OF CREDIT NUMBER IDENTIFIED. BECAUSE OF
THAT IMPORTANCE, THE OPERATOR HAS TO MAINTAIN THE RECORDS
AT THE FACILITY.

IN ADDITION, AT CERTAIN CRITICAL TIMES, THE OPERATOR HAS TO PROVIDE THAT INFORMATION TO THE BOARD.

FOR EXAMPLE, WHEN THE MECHANISM'S FIRST SET UP, WHEN IT'S AMENDED, OR AT OTHER TIMES WHEN THE BOARD MIGHT BE REQUIRED TO DRAW ON IT, LIKE WHEN THE OPERATOR IS TRYING TO CHANGE, WHEN THE PROVIDER IS TRYING TO CANCEL COVERAGE. AND THE OPERATOR DOESN'T DEMONSTRATE ALTERNATE COVERAGE, THEN THE BOARD, THROUGH THESE SECTIONS, IS REQUIRING THE OPERATOR TO PROVIDE THAT INFORMATION SO THE BOARD CAN DRAW ON THE MECHANISM.



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YOU NOTICE THAT SECTION IS SOMEWHAT LONG.
THAT IS BECAUSE, TO SOME EXTENT, THE DIFFERENT PIECES OF INFORMATION THAT MUST BE MAINTAINED AND RECORDED BY THE OPERATOR DEPEND ON THE SPECIFIC MECHANISM. FOR EXAMPLE, AN OPERATOR THAT USES A TRUST FUND AND GRADUALLY BUILDS IT UP OVER TIME NEEDS DOCUMENTATION OF THE PERMITTED CAPACITY THAT REMAINS AS WELL AS THE TOTAL PERMITTED CAPACITY AND NEEDS TO MAINTAIN THAT AT THE FACILITY AS WELL AS PROVIDE IT TO THE BOARD AT CRITICAL TIMES.

AND, FINALLY, THE LAST OF 18 SECTIONS.

WHEN -- HOW LONG DOES THE OBLIGATION TO PROVIDE COVERAGE

LAST? WHEN IS AN OPERATOR RELEASED FROM THE

REQUIREMENTS? FIRST, FOR CLOSURE, AN OPERATOR WOULD BE

RELEASED AFTER THE BOARD HAS RECEIVED AND APPROVED A

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSURE. IN THE CASE OF THE

POSTCLOSURE, IT'S A SIMILAR SORT OF PROCEDURE. THE BOARD

HAS TO NOTIFY THE OPERATOR IN WRITING THAT IT'S NO LONGER

REQUIRED TO DEMONSTRATE SUCH FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY.

ANOTHER PROVISION IS WHAT HAPPENS IN THE EVENT THAT THE OPERATOR CHANGES? THE GOAL THERE IS TO MAKE SURE COVERAGE IS CONTINUOUSLY EFFECTIVE, AND THAT'S DONE BY MAKING THE PREVIOUS OPERATOR RESPONSIBLE TO PROVIDE COVERAGE UNTIL THE NEW OPERATOR HAS A PERMIT. AS PART OF THAT PERMIT, THE NEW OPERATOR WOULD HAVE BEEN REQUIRED TO DEMONSTRATE FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY.



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THE REMAINING PAGES FROM PAGE 20 THROUGH 41 ESTABLISH THE LANGUAGE OF THE PARTICULAR MECHANISMS. THESE WOULD WORK IS -- SAY AN OPERATOR WANTS TO USE A TRUST FUND, IT COULD INDICATE SUCH A DESIRE TO THE BOARD. THE BOARD WOULD SEND THE OPERATOR FORMS. THE OPERATOR WOULD FILL OUT AND HAVE ALL THE FORMS SIGNED AND THEN SUBMIT THEM BACK TO THE BOARD TO DEMONSTRATE COMPLIANCE WITH THE BULES.

I THINK, AS I MENTIONED BEFORE, THERE ARE SUBSTANTIAL ADVANTAGES WITH HAVING REQUIRED WORDING AND IN A FEW CASES, FOR EXAMPLE, THE LETTER OF FORMS. CREDIT. IT WOULDN'T ACTUALLY BE WRITTEN ON THE FORM THAT THE BOARD PROVIDES; RATHER, THE LANGUAGE MUST BE IDENTICAL TO IT, BUT IT WOULD BE ON BASICALLY THE LETTERHEAD OF THE BANK, BUT THE REQUIRED WORDING IS STILL MANDATORY, AND AS A RESULT, THE CERTAINTY THAT THE FUNDS WILL BE AVAILABLE IS MAINTAINED.

YOU WILL NOTICE ONE PROVISION WITH RESPECT TO THE GUARANTEE AND FINANCIAL TEST. IN THOSE INSTANCES IT'S WORDED TO APPLY TO BOTH CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE. I DIDN'T HAVE TIME TO GO BACK AND ELIMINATE THE REQUIREMENTS TO THE ABILITY TO USE THOSE MECHANISMS JUST FOR POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE.

UNLESS -- THAT'S THE END OF MY PRESENTATION UNLESS THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS. I'LL BE GLAD TO ANSWER



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QUESTIONS LATER IN THE DISCUSSION AS WELL. THANK YOU. 1 2 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: ANY QUESTIONS OF BOARD 3 MEMBERS? MR. ORR: AS A SUPPLEMENT TO THE MECHANISMS THAT MIKE BERG JUST DESCRIBED. THE SUBCOMMITTEE IDENTIFIED A 5 NUMBER OF ISSUES THAT WERE IMPORTANT FOR PUBLIC AGENCIES. 7 AND I THINK THAT THIS IS AN OUTGROWTH OF THE GENERAL

ADDRESS THE COMMON NEEDS OF THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE

OPERATORS. AND SOME OF THE RESPECTIVE NEEDS HAVE COME

DESIRE. AS WE'VE BEEN DEVELOPING THESE REGULATIONS, TO

THROUGH, AS MIKE HAS DESCRIBED THE VARIOUS MECHANISMS 11

THAT HAVE BEEN PREVIOUSLY USED OR THAT WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO

DEVELOP SO FAR.

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BUT IN ADDITION TO THAT. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF UNIQUE NEEDS. BOTH FOR THE PUBLIC OPERATORS STRENGTHS IN THE WAY THAT PUBLIC AND PRIVATE OPERATORS ARE STRUCTURED. THE FOCUS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE WAS ON THE NEEDS OF THE PUBLIC SECTOR AND WHAT TYPES OF MECHANISMS MIGHT ENABLE THEM TO PROVIDE THE LEVEL OF FINANCIAL ASSURANCE THAT IS REQUIRED.

AND SO WITH THAT IN MIND, THERE WERE FOUR OR FIVE DIFFERENT AREAS THAT THE SUBCOMMITTEE LOOKED AT IN DETAIL. AND THOSE SPECIFIC AREAS ARE THE SEPARATION OF THE CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE COSTS AND HAVING THE MECHANISMS THAT MAY BE APPROPRIATE FOR ONE OR THE



OTHER OF THOSE.

THE SECOND WAS A DESCRIPTION OF THE SYSTEMS
CONCEPT. ANOTHER IS THE NEED FOR A PUBLIC FINANCIAL
MEANS TEST, AND I THINK WE'LL BE GOING INTO THAT IN MORE
DETAIL. ANOTHER CONCEPT THAT WAS DISCUSSED BY THE
SUBCOMMITTEE WAS A PLEDGE OF FUTURE REVENUES THAT MAY BE
EXPECTED BY A PUBLIC AGENCY.

FINALLY, THE LAST AREA THAT WAS DISCUSSED

WAS A CONCEPT CALLED A CONTRACT OF OBLIGATION, WHICH WE

HAVE MENTIONED IN PRIOR DISCUSSIONS BACK UNTIL LAST

SUMMER WHEN WE WERE INITIALLY DEVELOPING THE

CERTIFICATION GUIDELINES FOR THE INTERIM FINANCIAL

ASSURANCES. AND SO WE'VE HAD SOME FURTHER DISCUSSIONS OF

THAT.

WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO IS TURN THE MICROPHONE
OVER TO KAREN, WHO WILL TALK SPECIFICALLY ABOUT THE
RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE IN EACH OF THESE
AREAS.

MS. TRGOVCICH: ON EACH OF YOUR DESKS YOU SHOULD HAVE A COPY OF THE DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON FINANCIAL MECHANISMS. I'D JUST LIKE'TO STATE FOR YOU THE MAKEUP OF THAT COMMITTEE SO YOU WILL KNOW WHO WAS IN ATTENDANCE AT THE MEETING.

BOARD MEMBER REPRESENTATION WAS MR. SKEET

VARNER AND MR. LES BROWN. FROM THE STAFF WERE MR. BILL



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ORR AND MYSELF. OUR CONTRACTOR WAS PRESENT ON THE SUBCOMMITTEE, MR. MIKE BERG FROM ICF INCORPORATED. IN ADDITION. WERE MR. JACK MICHAELS, MR. FRANK BOWERMAN, MISS ANN ZIMMERMAN. STOCKTON -- OR SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY WAS REPRESENTED. TOM ABERNATHY AND JOHN ABERNATHY AND TOM HORTON CAME TO OUR MEETING YESTERDAY AS WELL.

THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ARE INCLUDED IN WHAT IS BEFORE YOU ON THE TABLE. THE FIRST ONE I'D LIKE TO GO OVER IS THE SEPARATION OF CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE COSTS. ONE OF THE BASIC IDEAS THAT THIS SUBCOMMITTEE HAD WAS THAT THE FINANCIAL MECHANISMS THAT WOULD BE ASSOCIATED WITH CLOSURE COSTS COULD, IN FACT, BE SEPARATED FROM THE REQUIREMENT FOR COVERAGE OF POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE COSTS.

SPECIFICALLY, CLOSURE COSTS WOULD ENTAIL A
ONE TIME CAPITAL EXPENSE; WHEREAS, POSTCLOSURE
MAINTENANCE COSTS WOULD, IN FACT, BE A LONG-TERM
OPERATING EXPENSE. AND SO. THEREFORE, THE SUBCOMMITTEE
RECOMMENDS TO SEPARATE THOSE COSTS AND ALLOW AN OPERATOR
TO PROVIDE FOR EACH OF THOSE COSTS SEPARATELY.

AND WE WILL IN ALL OF THE FOLLOWING -- ALL OF THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS PERTAIN TO THE POSTCLOSURE MAINETENANCE COSTS BECAUSE THE SUBCOMMITTEE, RECOGNIZING THAT CLOSURE COSTS WERE A ONE-TIME CAPITAL EXPENSE. AGREE THAT THERE NEEDS TO CONTINUE TO BE A



DEDICATION OF FUNDS FOR CLOSURE OR A RECEIPT OF A LETTER OF CREDIT OR SURETY BOND THAT GUARANTEES FULL FUNDING OF THE CLOSURE COSTS.

HOWEVER, FOR POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE, THE SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THE BOARD EVALUATE THE FOLLOWING CONCEPTS. THE FIRST IS ONE WHAT IS CALLED THE SYSTEMS CONCEPT, AND IT HAS WHAT HAS BEEN ALLUDED TO EARLIER.

IN THIS INSTANCE, A PUBLIC OPERATOR WOULD

BE ABLE TO UTILIZE REVENUES WHICH ARE GENERATED FROM

OTHER ACTIVITIES THAT THE SOLID WASTE AGENCY MAY CONDUCT,

THAT THE PUBLIC OPERATOR CAN DEMONSTRATE THE ABILITY TO

COLLECT USER FEES, OR THAT THE PUBLIC OPERATOR CAN

DEMONSTRATE THAT IT HAS THE ABILITY TO AUTHORIZE

ADDITIONAL TAX INCREASES TO PAY FOR POSTCLOSURE

MAINTENANCE COSTS OUT OF THEIR OPERATING REVENUES.

UNDER THIS CONCEPT THERE IS A RECOGNITION

THAT A PUBLIC OPERATOR IS REQUIRED TO PERPETUALLY PROVIDE

SANITARY SERVICES IN ITS OWN GIVEN AREA. AND, THEREFORE,

THE PUBLIC OPERATOR WILL ALWAYS BE IN BUSINESS REGARDLESS

AS TO WHETHER OR NOT A PUBLIC OR A PUBLIC ENTITY MAY

CONTRACT OUT THOSE SERVICES TO A PRIVATE FIRM OR PERFORM

THE SERVICES ITSELF. IT WILL CONTINUALLY BE IN THE

BUSINESS OF PROVIDING SANITARY SERVICES; AND, THEREFORE,

THE SUBCOMMITTEE RECOGNIZES THIS AND RECOMMENDS THAT THE

SYSTEMS CONCEPT BE INCLUDED WHICH WOULD ALLOW AN



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OPERATOR, PUBLIC OPERATOR, WITH THOSE CAPABILITIES TO UTILIZE REVENUES THAT WOULD BE GENERATED THROUGH USER FEES OR THROUGH ADDITIONAL TAXING AUTHORITY FOR THE POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE COSTS.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: MR. BEAUTROW.

BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: I NOTICE THAT IT'S

POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE COSTS ONLY, NOT THE -- BUT

WEREN'T THEY ASKING FOR THE WHOLE BALL OF WAX OR -- YOU

KNOW THAT'S, WHAT I UNDERSTOOD IT. NOW, MAINTENANCE

COSTS ONLY ARE NOT REAL SIGNIFICANT CONSIDERING THAT THE

MAGNITUDE OF THE BIG BUCKS FOR THE CLOSURE.

MR. ORR: I THINK THAT THAT WAS ONE OF THE PRIMARY AGREEMENTS THAT WAS REACHED IN THE CONTEXT OF THIS SUBCOMMITTEE WAS THAT THEY FELT COMFORTABLE WITH SEPARATING THE COSTS AND RECOGNIZING THE NEED FOR DEDICATION OF MONEY FOR CLOSURE. I THINK WHAT IT REPRESENTS IS THAT UNDER THE LAW THE OPERATOR'S REQUIRED TO SHOW THE ABILITY TO MAINTAIN THE LANDFILL EVEN BEFORE THAT NEED TO ACTUALLY MAINTAIN THAT LANDFILL EXISTS.

THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THESE REGULATIONS, THE OPERATOR
WILL HAVE TO HAVE THAT ABILITY. AND SAY YOU HAVE A
LANDFILL THAT'S GOT 30 OR 100 YEARS OF LIFE REMAINING, IT
WOULDN'T MAKE SENSE TO HAVE TO SET ASIDE THOSE
POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE MONIES IN ADVANCE OF WHEN THEY'RE



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AND SO I THINK THAT IN THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN NEEDED. THE TYPES OF MONIES GENERATED, THAT THAT LED PEOPLE TO BE ABLE TO SEPARATE THOSE COSTS AND LOOK AT DIFFERENT MECHANISMS FOR EACH.

BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: WHEN IT'S APPROPRIATE. I'D LIKE YOU TO COMMENT ON THIS LETTER THAT'S ON OUR DESK FROM DALE MILLS ABOUT -- YOU WILL READ IT. IT'S ON PAGE 2, THE SECOND PARAGRAPH. BUT IT HAS TO DO WITH THIS. WE'LL PAY FOR THE ONES THAT WE'RE GOING TO CLOSE NOW. BUT WE DON'T WANT TO WORRY ABOUT THE ONES DOWN THE LINE. MAYBE IT'S UNDER THE NEXT --

MR. ORR: I HAVEN'T SEEN THE LETTER.

BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: YOU BETTER READ IT BECAUSE IT PERTAINS TO THIS SUBJECT MATTER. IT MAY NOT BE APPROPRIATE RIGHT NOW, BUT UNDER THE COMMENTS UNDER THE NEXT SECTION. THANK YOU.

> BOARD MEMBER BROWN: MR. CHAIRMAN.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: MR. BROWN.

BOARD MEMBER BROWN: JUST ONE FINAL COMMENT. PHIL. I THINK THAT AT FIRST GLANCE CLOSURE SEEMS TO BE THE BIG COST ITEM AND POSTCLOSURE SEEMS TO BE SOMEWHAT INSIGNIFICANT DUE TO THE FACT THAT IT'S MAINTENANCE. HOWEVER, THE POSTCLOSURE, IN MY VIEW, AS I'VE THOUGHT ABOUT IT MORE, POSTCLOSURE BECOMES A BURDEN BECAUSE OF ITS LENGTH OF TIME. AND I THINK THAT BECAUSE OF THAT



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TIME COMMITMENT BY THE PUBLIC OR PRIVATE AGENCIES. POSTCLOSURE COSTS TAKE ON A DIFFERENT AND PROBABLY ALMOST AS WEIGHTY AN ISSUE. I RECOGNIZE IT'S NOT TOTALLY FINANCIAL, BUT WHEN YOU HAVE TO COMMIT FOR THAT LENGTH OF TIME. RECOGNIZING WHAT THE STATE OR GOVERNING BODIES CAN DO IN TERMS OF NEW REGULATIONS THAT MAY AFFECT YOUR FACILITATING THOSE CLOSURE COSTS. I THINK IT BECOMES A THERE'S MORE TO IT THAN JUST SAYING ONE COSTS BURDEN. MORE THAN THE OTHER AND DISMISSING IT.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THERE'S A REPRESENTATIVE FROM KERN COUNTY WHO WILL PROBABLY MAKE SOME COMMENTS ON THAT LETTER. TOO. PHIL, AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME.

YES. MR. ARAKALIAN.

BOARD MEMBER ARAKALIAN: YOU KNOW, ONE THING WE MUST REMEMBER. WE'RE MENTIONING HERE, REITERATING THE FACT THAT THE MAINTENANCE WON'T BE NEARLY AS EXPENSIVE, OBVIOUSLY, AS THE CLOSURE. WE'RE AWARE OF THAT. BY THE SAME TOKEN. THINGS CAN COME TO PASS OVER A PERIOD OF TIME AFTER SOMETHING IS CLOSED WHERE THE MAINTENANCE COULD CONSIDERABLY GET BIG BUCKS BECAUSE IF SOME NEW PIECE OF TECHNOLOGY COMES UP IN THE INTERIM. AND THEY SAY. "OH. YOU KNOW WHAT. WE MADE THESE AIR DAMS OR WATER DAMS OR WHATEVER THINGS FOR STOPPING MIGRATION AND LEACHATE AND WHATEVER. " SOME NEW PIECE OF TECHNOLOGY COMES UP THAT COSTS THESE WILD NUMBERS. AND THEY COME ALONG AND SAY.



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"NOW, WE FEEL THAT THESE SHOULD BE INSTITUTED." WHO'S TO SAY WHAT THAT CAN COST ALONG WITH MAINTENANCE BECAUSE YOU'RE NOT TALKING ABOUT SIX MONTHS OR A YEAR ON MAINTENANCE. WE'RE TALKING A LOT OF TIME AND A LOT OF THINGS HAVE CHANGED IN THAT TIME. SO THE MAINTENANCE CAN'T BE SNUFFED OFF TOO LIGHTLY, I DON'T THINK.

BOARD MEMBER VARNER: MR. CHAIRMAN.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: YES.

BOARD MEMBER VARNER: SAM, WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO HERE IS TO SET -- TO START FIRST WITH PUBLIC AGENCIES AND THOSE PUBLIC AGENCIES THAT HAVE A NUMBER OF LANDFILLS THAT ARE GOING TO BE ONGOING FOREVER. NOW, THE QUESTION YOU RAISE IS A VALID ONE. HOW CAN YOU START TO SET ASIDE MONEY, AS YOU SAY, FOR SOMETHING YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW WHETHER IT'S GOING TO HAPPEN OR NOT?

BOARD MEMBER ARAKALIAN: WHAT I'M SAYING IS THE PROBLEM CAN COME UP AND HAVE YOU EVEN THOUGHT ABOUT IT?

BOARD MEMBER VARNER: WELL, CERTAINLY WE'VE THOUGHT ABOUT IT. THAT'S WHY WITH THE POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE WITH A PUBLIC AGENCY, AS IT'S DEMONSTRATED, THEY HAVE TO PROVIDE HEALTH SERVICES AND SO ON AND SO FORTH. THAT'S PART OF THEIR REQUIREMENT.

NOW, WHEN -- IF SOME OF THESE UNFORESEEN THINGS YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT. THEY HAVE TO DEMONSTRATE AN ABILITY TO BE ABLE TO MEET THOSE NEEDS IF AND WHEN THEY



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COME. I THINK IT'S RATHER UNREASONABLE NOW TO TRY TO SET ASIDE FUNDS FOR SOMETHING THAT MAY NOT EVER HAPPEN.

THAT'S REALLY THE KEY ISSUE THAT'S BEEN BROUGHT UP. BUT THEY HAVE TO DEMONSTRATE THE ABILITY TO RAISE FUNDS IN CASE THERE ARE SOME UNFORESEEN THINGS. AND I THINK THE PUBLIC SECTOR CERTAINLY HAS THAT ABILITY, PARTICULARLY, HERE, THE CONCEPT IS TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF THIS LAW.

IT SAYS THAT THE LAW, AS I READ IT, SPECIFICALLY SAYS WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THERE'S FUNDS SET ASIDE FOR CLOSURE COSTS AND, NATURALLY, POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE.

NOW, THERE IS A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A PUBLIC ENTITY, FOR INSTANCE, AND YOU MENTIONED KERN COUNTY HERE. KERN COUNTY RUNS ALL THEIR LANDFILLS THAT SOMEONE DID. ARE PUBLIC LANDFILLS. THERE'S NO PRIVATE LANDFILLS THERE, AND SO THEY'RE COMMITTED TO RUN THEM FOREVER. SO IT WOULD BE UNREASONABLE. IN MY VIEWPOINT, TO SAY YOU GOT TO SET ASIDE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS FOR SOME POSTCLOSURE COSTS THAT MIGHT BE 25 YEARS DOWN THE LINE. ! THINK THAT -- THAT THEY CAN DEMONSTRATE ABILITY TO RAISE REVENUES EITHER THROUGH TAXES OR FEES OR WHATEVER VEHICLE THEY USE TO PAY FOR THEIR LANDFILLS IN THE BEGINNING. SET ASIDE A PORTION OF THAT -- TO SET ASIDE FOR A SPECIFIC LANDFILL FOR WHAT IS ESTIMATED FOR CLOSURE COSTS. THAT'S YOUR CAPITAL COST, AND I'M SURE THAT'S GOING TO BE THE BIGGER ONE BECAUSE YOU SET UP ALL THE



MECHANISM.

THE OTHER THINGS ARE MAINTENANCE. AND SO
AN ENTITY LIKE THAT IS GOING TO BE MAINTAINING THOSE
LANDFILLS AD INFINITUM. THEN THEY HAVE THE ABILITY,
THEN, TO RAISE REVENUES OR FUNDS OR WHATEVER HAVE YOU AS
THEY ARE NEEDED, BUT YOU CAN'T ANTICIPATE, YOU KNOW.
WHO'S TO SAY WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN TEN YEARS FROM NOW?
THAT'S WHAT -- WE WANT TO SEPARATE THOSE SORT OF THINGS.
AND SO THAT WAY, IF THEY CAN DEMONSTRATE THE ABILITY FOR
ONGOING MAINTENANCE. AND THE MAINTENANCE FOR POSTCLOSURE
ISN'T ANY DIFFERENCE THAN THE MAINTENANCE OF A LANDFILL
AS IT'S GOING ON A DAILY BASIS RIGHT NOW, SO THEY HAVE TO
RAISE REVENUES TO PAY FOR THAT.

I THINK CLEARLY THAT MOST COUNTIES COULD

DEMONSTRATE OR ALL COUNTIES PROBABLY CAN DEMONSTRATE

THEIR ABILITY TO TAKE CARE OF THOSE COSTS WHEN THEY COME

DUE, BUT A PORTION OF THOSE REVENUES ARE GOING TO HAVE TO

BE SET ASIDE NOW FOR CLOSURE COSTS IN ORDER TO FULFILL

THE LAWS THAT IS WRITTEN. AND SO THAT'S WHY WE'VE TAKEN

A POSITION THAT THERE IS A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN CLOSURE

COSTS AND POSTCLOSURE COSTS.

NOW, LATER ON WE WILL GET INTO THE THING
WHERE SOMEBODY HAS ONE LANDFILL AND NO OTHER MEANS OF
ADDRESSING THE ISSUE. THEN YOU ARE GOING TO HAVE TO TAKE
THOSE ISSUES SEPARATELY AS THEY COME UP, BUT RIGHT NOW WE



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NEED TO SET SOME KIND OF A PATTERN FOR THE MAJORITY OF WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DO. AND WE DECIDED TO START OUT WITH THE PUBLIC SECTOR. TO SET IT UP SO THAT IT WILL BE A WORKABLE SITUATION FOR THE PUBLIC SECTOR, AND ALSO ONE THAT WE CAN WORK INTO FOR THE LARGER OPERATORS ON THE PRIVATE SECTOR. THEN FOR THOSE THAT JUST HAVE ONE ENTITY; AND, OBVIOUSLY, IF IT'S GOING TO CLOSE RIGHT AWAY, THEN THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE TO SET MORE MONEY ASIDE THAN SOMEBODY THAT'S GOING TO BE IN BUSINESS FROM NOW ON.

ATTORNEY CONHEIM: MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS, AS YOU DELIBERATE ON WHAT'S BEEN PRESENTED TO YOU, AND IT'S NOW FLUSHED OUT QUITE WELL IN A LOT OF DETAIL, AND A LOT OF REFERENCE TO MECHANISMS THAT HAVE BEEN USED BY OTHER JURISDICTIONS, ONE OBSERVATION THAT I HAVE IS -- GOES BACK TO THE ENFORCEABILITY OF THIS WHOLE PROGRAM.

MR. CONHEIM.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER:

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THERE AREN'T VERY MANY
HAMMERS IN THIS LAW AS IT WAS ENACTED. AND THAT IF AN
OPERATOR FAILS AFTER HAVING SELECTED ONE OF THESE
MECHANISMS, A COUPLE OF THINGS OCCUR. UNLESS IT'S -UNLESS THERE'S COLD CASH PUT ASIDE SOMEWHERE, THE BURDEN
FALLS TO THE BOARD TO GO IN AND CLEAN UP AND SEEK
SOMEBODY TO SUE, TO BILL BACK. AND BEYOND THAT, THE ONLY
OTHER HAMMER FOR AN ONGOING OPERATOR IS TO REVOKE A
PERMIT AND DISRUPT THE SOLID WASTE SYSTEM. SO THAT'S THE



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barrısters' reportıng service WAY THE LAW IS WRITTEN. THERE ISN'T A WHOLE LOT OF HAMMER IN THE LAW. AND THESE ARE DRAWN AS TIGHTLY AS THEY CAN BE GIVEN THE LIMITATIONS IN THE LAW; BUT WHERE IT DOES NOT REQUIRE PUTTING CASH UP FRONT, THE BURDEN IS GOING TO COME BACK TO THE BOARD. AND THERE WILL EITHER BE BUDGET TO DO IT OR NOT. THAT'S JUST AN OBSERVATION TO KEEP IN MIND. AND WE'VE THOUGHT ABOUT THIS LAW FOR A COUPLE OF YEARS NOW, BUT THAT'S THE STATE OF THE LAW.

MS. TRGOVCICH: THE NEXT RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE IS IN RELATIONSHIP TO A PUBLIC FINANCIAL MEANS TEST. WE TALKED ABOUT THIS A LITTLE BIT EARLIER, AND THE APPLICABILITY OF THE EXISTING FINANCIAL MEANS TEST TO PUBLIC AGENCIES. BECAUSE OF THE VARIOUS PROBLEMS THAT ARE ASSOCIATED WITH A PUBLIC AGENCY UTILIZING A FINANCIAL MEANS TEST THAT HAS BEEN DESIGNED FOR A PRIVATE OPERATOR, THERE HAVE BEEN MANY EFFORTS IN ORDER TO DEVELOP A PUBLIC AGENCY FINANCIAL MEANS TEST.

ONE OF WHICH IS DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE SUBCOMMITTEE WAS THE EFFORT ON THE PART OF GRCDA REPRESENTATIVES TO COME UP WITH A MODIFICATION TO THE EXISTING FINANCIAL MEANS TEST TO ADDRESS A PUBLIC OPERATOR'S ABILITY TO PASS THAT TEST. THE SUBCOMMITTEE FELT, HOWEVER, THAT THE MODIFICATIONS THAT WERE PRESENTED WERE CHANGES IN WORDING OR APPLICABILITY OF TERMS; HOWEVER, IT DID NOT ADDRESS THE PRIMARY ISSUE, AND THAT



WAS THE PREDICTIVE NATURE OF THE TEST ITSELF IN ORDER TO DETERMINE THAT THE ENTITY COULD, IN FACT, PROVIDE THOSE COSTS IN A TIMELY MANNER DOWN THE ROAD.

THERE IS A CURRENT EFFORT ON THE PART OF
EPA TO DEVELOP A PUBLIC FINANCIAL MEANS TEST. ICF
INCORPORATED, IN FACT, IS THE CONTRACTOR ON THAT ISSUE AS
WELL FOR EPA IN WASHINGTON. THEY ANTICIPATE THAT THERE
WILL BE SOME SORT OF ACCEPTANCE OR PRESENTATION OF A
PUBLIC AGENCY FINANCIAL MEANS TEST BY SOMETIME THIS
SUMMER.

THE SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT THE BOARD KEEP THE DOOR OPEN ON THIS ISSUE; AND UPON DEVELOPMENT OF THAT TEST AND A DEMONSTRATION, EITHER BY THE CONTRACTOR OR EPA, THAT THE TEST IS, IN FACT, APPLICABLE TO PUBLIC AGENCIES, WE WOULD THEN BRING THAT TEST INTO THIS PROCESS. BUT IN THE ABSENCE OF ANY TEST WHICH TAKES INTO ACCOUNT A PUBLIC AGENCY'S ABILITY TO PROVIDE THOSE COSTS IN A TIMELY MANNER AND THE PREDICTIVE NATURE IN TERMS OF THE AGENCY'S ABILITY TO PROVIDE THE FUNDS, GO BANKRUPT, OR OTHERWISE, WE WOULD RECOMMEND ON HOLDING BACK ON A PUBLIC AGENCY FINANCIAL MEANS TEST UNTIL SUCH A TIME AS ONE IS PRESENTED.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU. CAN WE CONSIDER

A BREAK? WE HAVE TO ACCOMMODATE OUR RECORDER. SO CHAIR

DECLARES A RECESS UNTIL 10:30. PLEASE BE PROMPT.



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CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: CALL THE MEETING BACK TO

ORDER, PLEASE. THANK YOU. KAREN.

MS. TRGOVCICH: WE'LL CONTINUE ON WITH THE LAST

THREE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE.

THE FOURTH ITEM IS A PLEDGE OF REVENUES.

7 THIS IS VERY SIMILAR TO WHAT WE WERE TALKING ABOUT

EARLIER AS THE SYSTEMS CONCEPT. UNDER THIS CONCEPT, A

PUBLIC OPERATOR COULD PLEDGE FOR THE POSTCLOSURE

MAINTENANCE COST FUTURE REVENUES TO COVER THOSE COSTS.

THIS WOULD INCLUDE ANY INCOMING FEES OR OTHER MONIES THAT

WOULD BE COLLECTED UNDER CONTRACTS OR OTHER AGREEMENTS

WHICH CAN BE QUANTIFIED AND PRESENTED AS A SPECIFIC

DOLLAR AMOUNT.

THERE WAS A LOT OF DISCUSSION IN THE SUBCOMMITTEE ABOUT THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE COSTS COVER 15 YEARS IN TERMS OF THE FUNDING OBLIGATION, AND WHAT WOULD BE THE REQUIREMENT IN TERMS OF A PUBLIC OPERATOR IN THE PLEDGE OF THOSE REVENUES. WOULD AN OPERATOR BE REQUIRED IN ONE YEAR TO PLEDGE REVENUES FOR ALL 15 YEARS, OR WOULD HE BE REQUIRED TO PLEDGE THEM ON A YEAR-TO-YEAR BASIS?

WHAT THE SUBCOMMITTEE DECIDED WAS THAT AN OPERATOR WOULD BE REQUIRED TO SHOW THAT OVER THE LIFE OF THE POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE PERIOD, THAT HE WOULD HAVE



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THE ABILITY TO PLEDGE THOSE REVENUES, THAT THEY WOULD BE QUANTIFIABLE AND HE COULD SHOW THE SOURCES FOR THOSE REVENUES. BUT THAT IN ANY ONE YEAR THE OPERATOR WOULD NOT BE REQUIRED TO SHOW THAT ALL 15 YEARS' WORTH OF POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE COSTS COULD BE SHOWN IN REVENUES FOR ONE YEAR. SO THAT IS THE PLEDGE OF REVENUES CONCEPT.

THE NEXT ITEM IS A RESOLUTION OF A
GOVERNING BODY. I'D LIKE TO TAKE THESE LAST TWO ITEMS
HAND IN HAND BECAUSE ONE WAS BORN OUT OF THE OTHER, A
CONTRACT OF OBLIGATION. ORIGINALLY, IT WAS A CONTRACT OF
OBLIGATION WHICH WAS DISCUSSED SPECIFICALLY AT THE
BOARD'S MEETING THIS LAST MARCH IN MODESTO. AS THE IDEA
FOR A CONTRACT OF OBLIGATION, THE PUBLIC OPERATOR WOULD
ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE BOARD, STATING THAT THEY
WOULD FULFILL THEIR OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE REGULATIONS.

PROVIDE ANYTHING BECAUSE THE OPERATOR IS ALREADY
OBLIGATED TO FULFILL THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE REGULATIONS
THEMSELVES. BUT WHAT THE SUBCOMMITTEE DISCUSSED AND
AGREED UPON WAS WHAT WE'LL CALL A RESOLUTION OF A
GOVERNING BODY; THAT IS, A RESOLUTION ON THE PART'OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, CITY COUNCIL, WHATEVER THE
GOVERNING BODY MAY BE, COMMITTING TO PROVIDE THE
APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF FUNDING.

THIS RESOLUTION WOULD BE SOMETHING -- WOULD



NOT BE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE BOARD AND THE PUBLIC
OPERATOR. BUT SIMPLY WOULD BE A RESOLUTION ON THE PART OF
THE GOVERNING BODY. WHAT -- WHERE WE WOULD SEE THIS
RESOLUTION WORKING IS IN THE AREA OF A PLEDGE OF REVENUES
AND THE SYSTEMS CONCEPT. AND THAT IS WHERE IF THE PUBLIC
OPERATOR DECIDES TO UTILIZE EITHER OF THESE CONCEPTS TO
COVER THE POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE COST, THAT ACCOMPANYING
THAT WOULD BE A RESOLUTION ON THE PART OF THE GOVERNING
BODY SO THAT THERE WOULD BE AN OVERALL COMMITMENT TO
PROVIDE THESE FUNDS -- PROVIDE THOSE REVENUES WHEN THEY
ARE NEEDED.

THIS RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY WOULD BE SOMETHING THAT WOULD HAVE TO BE MAINTAINED THROUGHOUT THE OPERATION. CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE PERIOD, SO THAT THE GOVERNING BODY IS ALWAYS COMMITTED TO FULFILLING THE OBLIGATIONS FOR POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE BY PROVIDING THOSE REVENUES WHICH HAVE BEEN PLEDGED.

TWO AREAS THAT OUR CONTRACTOR, ICF INCORPORATED, WAS ABLE TO UNCOVER IN THAT AREA WAS THAT THERE ARE ESSENTIALLY TWO TYPES OF CONTRACTS OF OBLIGATION. THE FIRST IS A CONTRACT WHERE THE BOARD HAS THE AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE SOME SORT OF INCENTIVE THAT THE PUBLIC ENTITY WILL FULFILL ITS OBLIGATION. IN MANY INSTANCES MANY -- A FEW OTHER STATES. THE INCENTIVE WOULD BE THE AUTHORITY ON THE



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PART OF THE STATE AGENCY TO DIVERT FUNDS OR WITHHOLD FUNDS THAT WOULD BE DESTINED FOR THAT ENTITY. AUTHORITY EXISTS IN THIS STATE.

THE OTHER TYPE OF CONTRACT WOULD BE STRICTLY A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOARD AND THE PUBLIC OPERATOR TO FULFILL THOSE OBLIGATIONS, AND THAT IS WHAT I HAD MENTIONED EARLIER AS A TYPE OF CONTRACT THAT REALLY WOULD NOT PROVIDE ANYTHING IN ADDITION TO WHAT THE REGULATIONS CURRENTLY REQUIRE. HOWEVER, WHAT WAS DISCUSSED IN THE SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING WAS THE USE OF A CONTRACT IN ORDER TO BIND THE PUBLIC AGENCY TO PROVIDE THE FUNDS TO THE OPERATOR.

IN THIS INSTANCE, THE PUBLIC GOVERNING BODY, FOR EXAMPLE, WOULD ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE SOLID WASTE AGENCY AND COMMIT TO PROVIDE THE FUNDS TO COVER THE COSTS OF POSTCLOSURE; AND, THUS, THE TWO WOULD BE BOUND BY THAT CONTRACT. THE PUBLIC ENTITY WOULD BE BOUND TO PROVIDE THOSE FUNDS.

THIS IS NOT CURRENTLY A MECHANISM; HOWEVER, WE DISCUSSED THAT A PUBLIC OPERATOR MAY WISH TO UTILIZE THIS TYPE OF A CONTRACT IN FULFILLING THE REQUIREMENTS OF ESTABLISHING AN ENTERPRISE FUND, FOR EXAMPLE.

AN ENTERPRISE FUND REQUIRES THAT THE MONIES REMAIN INVIOLATE. THAT THERE CAN BE NO TAMPERING WITH THOSE FUNDS UNTIL THE TIME OF CLOSURE AND/OR POSTCLOSURE



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MAINTENANCE. SUCH A CONTRACT COULD BE A MECHANISM

THAT -- THAT AN OPERATOR MAY WISH TO USE TO DEDICATE

THOSE FUNDS. WE'RE NOT SAYING THAT WE'VE REVIEWED IT AND

DETERMINED THAT THAT WOULD SATISFY THE BOARD, BUT IT'S

SOMETHING TO DEFINITELY BE LOOKED INTO AT THIS TIME. SO

THOSE ARE THE AREAS THAT THE SUBCOMMITTEE HAS LOOKED

INTO.

TO SUMMARIZE, THE SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDS
THAT THERE BE A SEPARATION OF THE CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE
MAINTENANCE COSTS. THAT THE FOLLOWING CONCEPTS BE
EVALUATED AND INCLUDED INTO THE DRAFT REGULATIONS, AND
THAT WOULD BE THE USE OF THE SYSTEMS CONCEPT, THE USE OF
A PLEDGE OF REVENUES IN CONJUNCTION WITH A RESOLUTION OF
THE GOVERNING BODY TO BE USED BY A PUBLIC OPERATOR TO
COVER THE POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE COSTS. THESE WOULD BE
OPTIONS AVAILABLE TO A PUBLIC OPERATOR IN ADDITION TO
THOSE OPTIONS CURRENTLY LISTED IN THE DRAFT REGULATIONS.

WHAT STAFF WOULD PROPOSE AT THIS TIME WOULD BE, DEPENDING UPON THE OUTCOME OF THIS MEETING AND ANY RECOMMENDATIONS OR GUIDANCE PROVIDED ON THESE DRAFT REGULATIONS, WOULD BE TO INCORPORATE THOSE CHANGES INTO THE DRAFT REGULATIONS AS THEY HAVE BEEN PRESENTED TO YOU TODAY. TO PROVIDE AND DISTRIBUTE THE REVISED DRAFT REGULATIONS TO ALL LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, OPERATORS, AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES FOR COMMENT TO BE SUBMITTED



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BACK TO BOARD STAFF. AND IN JUNE THESE DRAFT REGULATIONS WOULD COME BEFORE YOU AGAIN FOR ADOPTION AS A PART OF THE EMERGENCY REGULATION PROCEDURE, WHICH HAS BEEN DISCUSSED PREVIOUSLY WITH YOU.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU, KAREN.

BILL, DID YOU HAVE SOMETHING ELSE?

MR. ORR: WELL, IN TERMS OF THE LETTER FOR KERN
COUNTY, I DON'T KNOW IF THEY WANT TO SPEAK TO THAT, BUT I
AM PREPARED TO MAKE A FEW COMMENTS ABOUT THAT AT THE
APPROPRIATE TIME.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU. I DON'T KNOW -IS MY MIKE ON? I HAVE NO LIGHT, SO I CAN'T TELL WHETHER
I'M BEING LISTENED TO OR WHETHER I'M NOT. TAKE MY VOICE
AWAY FROM ME, AND YOU'VE GOT ME IN DEEP TROUBLE.

BOARD MEMBER VARNER: TELL THEM TO READ YOUR LIPS.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: BEFORE WE TAKE PUBLIC COMMENT, I WOULD LIKE TO PAY A LITTLE TRIBUTE TO THE SUBCOMMITTEE. THIS HAS BEEN A HARDWORKING GROUP, AND THERE'S A LOT OF UNCHARTERED WATER THAT WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO PLOW OUR WAY THROUGH IN A VERY HAIRY ISSUE. SO THANK YOU ALL FOR THE EXTRA WORK THAT YOU'VE PUT IN, INCLUDING MY TWO COLLEAGUES ON THE BOARD, WHO HAVE HAD TO COME IN DAYS EARLY AHEAD OF BOARD MEETINGS AND WHAT HAVE YOU TO WORK ON IT. THANK YOU AGAIN. IT SEEMS TO ME THAT YOU'VE



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DONE AN OUTSTANDING JOB.

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UNLESS THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS OF BOARD MEMBERS FOR OUR OWN STAFF. WE'RE READY TO TAKE SOME PUBLIC COMMENT. I HAVE A REQUEST FROM MR. EDGAR OF BAKERSFIELD TO MAKE COMMENTS ON THIS. ARE YOU PREPARED AND READY TO GO?

PLEASE IDENTIFY YOURSELF FOR THE RECORD.

MR. EDGAR: EVAN EDGAR, CIVIL ENGINEER, KERN COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS. MR. CHAIRMAN, BOARD MEMBERS, GLAD TO BE HERE TODAY. HAVE TO APOLOGIZE FOR NOT MAKING THE MODESTO MEETING. WE WERE CAUGHT UP IN THE TESTIMONY DOWN AT THE INTEGRATED WASTE SYSTEMS IN LOS ANGELES DURING THE MODESTO HEARINGS. APOLOGIZE FOR NOT MAKING THE PREVIOUS SUBCOMMITTEE HEARINGS, BUT I REALLY LIKE WHAT I'M HEARING TODAY FROM THE SUBCOMMITTEE. WE WOULD HAVE TO CONCUR WITH A LOT OF THE DISCUSSION THAT'S GOING ON HERE TODAY.

KERN COUNTY IS HERE TODAY TO DISCUSS THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EASTIN BILL AND EMPHASIZE OUR POSITION PRIOR TO THE ADOPTION OF ANY EMERGENCY REGULATIONS IN JULY OR IN JUNE.

WE HAVE A SYSTEMS CONCEPT GOING ON IN KERN COUNTY RIGHT NOW. WE HAVE 14 COUNTY LANDFILLS AND FOUR SMALL VOLUME TRANSFER STATIONS OWNED AND OPERATED BY THE COUNTY. OVER THE NEXT SIX YEARS WE HAVE SOME CHALLENGES WE'RE GOING TO BE CLOSING FIVE OF THEM. IN FRONT OF US.



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OVER AT -- CHINA GRADE, WE'LL BE REPLACING IT WITH OUR BENA LANDFILL. THAT'S OUR 65-YEAR CAPACITY LANDFILL SERVING THE BAKERSFIELD AREA, PLUS WE'RE GOING TO BE HAVING SUBSTANTIAL EXPANSIONS TO MCFARLAND-DELANO, KERN VALLEY, AND ARVIN. AND ONE LANDFILL UP AT GLENVILLE WE'RE GOING TO BE CLOSING DOWN AND CONVERTING OVER TO A TRANSFER STATION.

SO OVER THE NEXT SIX YEARS -- OVER THE NEXT SIX YEARS WE WANT TO FUND THE CLOSURES OF THOSE FIVE LANDFILL, AND WE CONCUR WITH SEPARATING THE CLOSURE COST FROM THE POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE COST. WE'RE OBLIGATED TO RAISE REVENUE USING OUR LAND USE FEE FUNDING MECHANISM AS FOUND IN A SANITARY WASTE ENTERPRISE FUND IN ORDER TO FUND THOSE CLOSURES.

I'VE INCLUDED A SHORT HISTORY INSIDE OF YOUR PACKAGE UP THERE ABOUT WHAT HAS HAPPENED OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS REGARDING THE LAND USE FEE HISTORY IN KERN COUNTY. FOR THE LONGEST TIME, WE WERE ABLE TO FUND IT RIGHT OUT OF GENERAL FUND FOR \$3 MILLION A YEAR FOR ABOUT A MILLION TONS A YEAR OF DISPOSAL. BUT IN THE RECENT YEARS WITH ALL THESE UNFUNDED STATE MANDATES, WE HAD TO LOOK FOR OTHER SOURCES, AND ONE OF THE SOURCES WE LOOKED FOR IS GOING TOWARDS THE USER FEE PROGRAM.

WE HAD A VOTE LAST SEPTEMBER ON THAT WHEREAS WE ASKED THE COMMUNITY OF BAKERSFIELD AND KERN



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COUNTY. DO YOU WANT TO HAVE A GATE FEE PROGRAM OR THE LAND USE FEE PROGRAM. AND TO OUR SURPRISE -- REALLY WASN'T TO OUR SURPRISE, BUT HOW IT WORKED OUT, THAT WE WENT WITH THE LAND USE FEE PROGRAM.

WHEN WE WERE TESTIFYING IN FRONT OF THE INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT SENATE TASK FORCE LAST MONTH. EVERYBODY WAS INTERESTED IN THIS LAND USE FEE CONCEPT. SO WE PUT TOGETHER THIS HISTORY. AND WE HAVE DISBURSED IT. AND MANY OTHER PEOPLE ARE LOOKING AT USING THIS LAND USE FEE CONCEPT UNDER A GROUP FUNDING SYSTEM IN ORDER TO HELP THEM OUT ON THE EASTIN BILL.

SO ONE THING I THINK THE ENTERPRISE FUND IS UNIQUE THAT WE DO HAVE A SYSTEMS CONCEPT, AND THAT IT'S NOT LIKE AN INDIVIDUAL PRIVATE LANDFILL DEPENDING ON GATE FEES. ANOTHER THING, THE COUNTY WILL BE AROUND FOR A WHILE. WE HAVE ALWAYS MET OUR FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO.

AND LOOKING BACK AT THE GOVERNMENT CODE, AS I NOTED 66796.22(B)1(C) AND THAT THE BOARD WILL ENSURE THAT WE HAVE ADEQUATE RESOURCES FOR CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE, AND USING A SANITARY WASTE ENTERPRISE FUND WITH THE LAND USE FEE MECHANISM. I THINK KERN COUNTY CAN DO THAT. WE DO WANT TO SET ASIDE ENOUGH MONEY OVER THE NEXT SIX YEARS, ABOUT 9 OR \$10 MILLION, WE WILL RAISE FUNDING LEVELS TO SET ASIDE \$9 MILLION TO



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CLOSE THESE LANDFILLS. ONCE WE'VE GOT THE INITIAL

LANDFILLS OUT OF THE WAY, WE STILL HAVE NINE OTHER COUNTY

LANDFILLS THAT ARE NOT SLATED FOR IMMEDIATE CLOSURE.

SO WHAT WE PROPOSE TO DO OVER THE NEXT
FIVE, SIX YEARS IS RAISE THAT \$9 MILLION, UP OUR FUNDING
LEVEL; AND ONCE WE HAVE THESE LANDFILLS CLOSED OUT, THEN
WE WILL BE COLLECTING THIS MONEY AT THIS FUNDING LEVEL
AND THAT MONEY CAN BE GOING INTO THE CLOSURE COST FOR THE
OTHER NINE LANDFILLS. AND WE DO PROPOSE TO FUND OUR
POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE AS PART OF OUR -- AS PART OF OUR
OPERATING COST.

IN FRONT OF ME I HAVE A BOARD RESOLUTION.

I DIDN'T GET COPIES, BUT WE HAVE A BOARD RESOLUTION, A

PLEDGE FOR FUNDING, AND WE CAN MODIFY IT TO FIT INTO THE

POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE COST AS OUR ANNUAL OPERATING

COST.

WHAT I'VE HEARD HERE TODAY, I WOULD HAVE TO CONCUR LAND USE FEE SYSTEM CONCEPT AND SEPARATING OF POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE COST, AND WE FEEL THE PLAN IS REASONABLE. AND WE FEEL THAT THE BOARD HAS PROVIDED SOME FLEXIBILITY IN ORDER FOR THE COUNTY HERE TO MEET OUR OBLIGATIONS. WE'VE BEEN HERE BEFORE. WE'VE GOT BENA, 65-YEAR CAPACITY. WE HAVE A COSWMP THAT WAS STATE-OF-THE-ART. WE'RE RECYCLING 18 PERCENT. WE HAVE SUBMITTED OUR INITIAL COST ESTIMATES. WE HAD 14



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LANDFILLS IN BY JANUARY 1, 1989. WE HAD OUR INITIAL COST ESTIMATES IN ON TIME. AND WE HAVE OUR SANITARY WASTE ENTERPRISE FUND ESTABLISHED.

WE FEEL WE TURNED THE CORNER. AND WE'D LIKE TO CONTINUE ON PROVIDING SERVICE TO THE COUNTY OF KERN AT AN ECONOMICAL PRICE AND AT THE SAME TIME STILL PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT. ! THINK KERN COUNTY IS A PRIME EXAMPLE OF A LOCAL AGENCY THAT IS CAPABLE OF ADDRESSING AND RESOLVING SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT ISSUES. AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO. APPRECIATE YOUR BOARD'S TIME TODAY. AND I WILL BE ABLE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU MAY HAVE.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU, MR. EDGAR. THANK YOU AGAIN FOR TAKING THE TIME TO COME UP HERE AND SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS WITH US.

AND NOW WE HAVE ANOTHER REQUEST, MR. JACK MICHAEL FROM LOS ANGELES COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT. I JACK. PUBLIC WORKS? YOU DON'T IDENTIFY WHICH GUESS. ENTITY YOU'RE REPRESENTING TODAY, BUT WE'LL LISTEN TO YOU ANYWAY.

MR. MICHAEL: I AM JACK MICHAEL REPRESENTING LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, 1 SIMPLY ONLY WANTED TO INDICATE THAT SERVING ON THE SUBCOMMITTEE AND WHAT'S BEEN PRESENTED TO YOU. I THINK IN



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CONCEPT CERTAINLY GOES A LONG WAY TOWARD MEETING THE 1 2 CONCERNS THAT I RAISED TO THE BOARD IN MODESTO. 3 CERTAINLY, THERE'S MUCH YET TO BE DONE IN TERMS OF WRITING THE LANGUAGE WITHIN THOSE CONCEPTS, AND WE'RE DEDICATED TO WORK WITH THE STAFF IN ACCOMPLISHING THAT. 5 6 SIMPLY LIKE TO THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, FOR 7 YOUR LEADERSHIP AND THE HARD WORK OF MEMBERS BROWN AND VARNER AND THE STAFF FOR WHAT'S BEEN ACCOMPLISHED HERE IN 8 9 THE PAST MONTH. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE 10 OPPORTUNITY. 11 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MR. 12 MICHAEL. 13 ANY QUESTION OF MR. MICHAEL BEFORE HE 14 LEAVES? THANK YOU. 15 DOES THAT TAKE CARE OF 1(A) NOW? 16 MR. ORR: WE JUST -- I THINK THAT PRETTY MUCH 17 TAKES CARE OF IT, YES. 18 BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: MR. CHAIRMAN, IT MAY BE 19 THAT KAREN TRGOVCICH READ A -- SHE STATED A LENGTHY STAFF 20 RECOMMENDATION, I BELIEVE, BUT IT MIGHT BE APPROPRIATE --21 AND I'LL DO SO IF WE MAKE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE ... 22 COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION AND FOLD THE WHOLE THING INTO 23 THE PROCESS AS KAREN HAD OUTLINED. 24 BOARD MEMBER BROWN: SECOND. 25 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: IT'S BEEN MOVED AND



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SECONDED THAT WE ADOPT STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION OF THOSE 1 2 THINGS OUTLINED IN SECTION 1(A) OF THE AGENDA. 3 ALL THOSE IN FAVOR? 4 BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: PLUS THE INCORPORATION OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE MECHANISMS. 5 6 BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: YES. 7 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: PLUS -- STATE AGAIN. 8 BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: THE INCORPORATION OF 9 THE --10 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: PLUS THE DRAFT 11 RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON FINANCIAL 12 MECHANISMS. BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: 13 YES. 14 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: ALL THOSE IN FAVOR? OPPOSED? SO ORDERED. 15 16 WE'RE GOING TO TAKE A BREAK BETWEEN ITEMS 17 1(A) AND 1(B) ON THE AGENDA. THE PURPOSE OF TAKING THIS BREAK IS THAT CHAIR AGAIN HAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO WELCOME 18 19 AN OLD FRIEND FOR MANY YEARS AND TO WELCOME AN 20 ORGANIZATION WHICH WE'RE ALL QUITE FAMILIAR WITH. HAVE BEEN WORKING FOR MANY YEARS IN A VERY LITTLE PAID 21 22 ATTENTION TO FIELD OF SOCIAL WORK, AND THAT IS LITTER 23 CONTROL. 24 AFTER ALL THESE YEARS OF WORKING STRICTLY 25 IN THE LITTER FIELD, KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL HAS TAKEN A



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VERY LARGE STEP. AND THEY ARE TRYING TO EXPAND THEIR OPERATIONS INTO THE SOLID WASTE FIELD. AND WE'RE VERY LUCKY.

AS YOU KNOW, OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICER IS A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL BOARD OF KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL. AND WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TODAY TO WELCOME THE PRESIDENT OF KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL, WHO IS A VERY OLD FRIEND OF MINE PERSONALLY. HE'S COME OUT HERE. AND WE'D LIKE TO ASK HIM TO STEP FORWARD. MR. ROGER POWERS, WHO IS PRESIDENT OF KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL. GIVE US AN IDEA WHAT THEY'RE ABOUT.

MR. POWERS: THANK YOU. INDEED. MR. CHAIRMAN. THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND COMMENTS. IT'S ALWAYS A TREAT TO BE IN YOUR MAGNIFICENT LAND. BUT IT'S PARTICULARLY GRATIFYING TO RECEIVE YOUR INVITATION TO BE HERE THIS MORNING.

AS YOU KNOW, YESTERDAY WE WERE PRIVILEGED TO SPEAK TO THE STAFF OF THE WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD AND A NUMBER OF OTHER AGENCY REPRESENTATIVES. AND WE USED A LENGTHY VIDEO AND SLIDE PRESENTATION TO BRING THEM UP-TO-DATE ON WHAT WE'RE DOING AND WHAT OUR PLANS'ARE FOR THE 1990S.

WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO THIS MORNING IS TO BRIEFLY REPORT TO YOU THAT KAB WILL BUILD ON ITS SUCCESS OF 12 YEARS IN ADDRESSING THE LITTERING ISSUE TO EDUCATE



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THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ABOUT THE SOLID WASTE ISSUE. TO PROVIDE THE FACTS. TO REASSURE THEM THAT THERE ARE TESTED AND TRIED SOLUTIONS TO THAT ISSUE; THAT WHILE THE ISSUE IS A COMPLEX ONE. IT IS NOT AN INTRACTABLE ONE.

BROADENING ITS MISSION TO ADDRESS SOLID WASTE ISSUE, WILL BE PROMOTING THE INTEGRATED SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN.

AS YOU WELL KNOW, THERE IS NO ONE RIGHT SOLUTION FOR ADDRESSING THE SOLID WASTE ISSUE IN AMERICAN COMMUNITIES.

BUT IN THAT INTEGRATED SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN, WHICH INCLUDES SOURCE REDUCTION, RECYCLING, WASTE-TO-ENERGY, LANDFILLING AND COMPOSTING, THERE ARE OPTIONS WITHIN THAT EACH COMMUNITY CAN LOOK AT IN MAKING THEIR OWN DECISIONS, DECISIONS ABOUT HOW THEY'RE GOING TO ADDRESS THEIR OWN SOLID WASTE DILEMMA.

IN OFFERING OUR EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM, WE WILL BE GUIDED BY A VERY PROFESSIONAL GROUP THAT SERVES ON THE KAB SOLID WASTE TASK FORCE. IT'S COMPRISED OF EXPERTS FROM ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES AND THE CONFERENCE OF MAYORS AND THE AMERICAN PUBLIC WORKS ASSOCIATION AND THE ASSOCIATION OF STATE AND TERRITORIAL SOLID WASTE OFFICIALS, INDEED THE FEDERAL EPA.

IT ALSO CONCLUDES GROUPS LIKE THE AARP AND
THE GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS. IT'S MORE THAN



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JUST A PRESTIGIOUS LIST OF ORGANIZATIONS. THESE ARE THE PEOPLE WHO DAY IN AND DAY OUT MUST MAKE DECISIONS ABOUT HOW WE'RE GOING TO ADDRESS THE SOLID WASTE ISSUE IN AMERICAN COMMUNITIES. SO WE'RE ENCOURAGED WITH THAT KIND OF LEADERSHIP, AND ALREADY THEY'VE TAKEN SOME POSITIVE ACTIONS IN JUST THE SHORT SPACE OF SIX MONTHS.

WE'VE DISTRIBUTED TO YOU THIS MORNING OUR FIRST MAJOR PUBLICATION ON THE SOLID WASTE ISSUE, "OVERVIEW ON SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL ALTERNATIVES, " WHICH, AS I SAID, COVERS SOURCE REDUCTION, RECYCLING, WASTE-TO-ENERGY, LANDFILLING, COMPOSTING, AND HAS A GLOSSARY OF TERMS, TALKS ABOUT IN THE CONTEXT OF WASTE-TO-ENERGY AIR EMISSIONS AND ASH MANAGEMENT. IT IS NOT INTENDED TO BE A TECHNICAL TOOL. IT'S WRITTEN IN LAY TERMS FOR ANYONE TO UNDERSTAND.

HOPEFULLY, FOR AT LEAST OPINION LEADERS WHO ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE PROBLEM, THE KEY IS TO GET THE FACTS BEFORE WE INVOLVE THE PEOPLE. WE'VE APPLIED THAT CONCEPT VERY EFFECTIVELY OVER 12 YEARS IN IMPLEMENTING OUR KAB SYSTEM. WE WILL BE DOING THE SAME THING IN ADDRESSING THE SOLID WASTE ISSUE.

BEYOND THE GUIDANCE AND PRODUCING PUBLICATIONS, THE SOLID WASTE TASK FORCE WILL HAVE A DIRECT HAND IN PUTTING TOGETHER OUR EDUCATION MODULE THAT WILL BE A PART OF OUR KAB SYSTEM. WE WILL BE PUTTING



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TOGETHER PUBLIC FORUMS VERY SHORTLY. YOU'LL BE HEARING ABOUT A SERIES OF MEETINGS IN WHICH KAB WILL BE COOPERATING WITH THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF STATE LEGISLATIVE LEADERS AND GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS TO SPEAK TO THE FACTS FOR PRIMARILY -- CONDUCTED PRIMARILY FOR STATE AND LOCAL OFFICIALS. THOSE, AGAIN, WHO HAVE DIRECT RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE SOLID WASTE ISSUE.

AND HOPEFULLY, SHORTLY, YOU WILL BE HEARING, TOO, THAT AS A RESULT OF A GRANT APPLICATION THAT WE MADE TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY. THAT KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL AND THE COUNCIL OF STATE GOVERNMENTS WILL SERVE AS A NATIONAL CLEARINGHOUSE FOR INFORMATION ON MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE. THAT'S A LITTLE PREMATURE FOR ME TO COMMENT ON IT. BUT WE HAVE OUR HOPES. WE THINK THAT'S ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL AND IT'S CONSISTENT WITH OUR PREMISE THAT WE MUST GET THE FACTS BEFORE WE INVOLVE THE PEOPLE.

OUR FIRST PRIORITY IN OUR EDUCATIONAL EFFORT AND I THINK VERY NATURAL IS TO DEAL WITH THOSE PEOPLE IN WHICH WE ARE OBLIGATED TO SERVE; THAT IS, OUR OWN NATIONAL NETWORK OF KAB SYSTEM COMMUNITIES. 450 COMMUNITIES ARE CERTIFIED TO IMPLEMENT OUR KAB SYSTEM, FIRST TO ADDRESS LITTER, TO ENCOURAGE MULTIMATERIAL RECYCLING, AND NOW THE EDUCATIONAL ASPECTS OF SOLID WASTE.



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IN THAT 450 COMMUNITES IN 40 STATES, WE'RE IMPACTING THE LIVES OF OVER 74 MILLION AMERICANS. AND I'M PROUD TO BE ABLE TO REPORT THAT INCLUDED IN THAT 450 COMMUNITIES ARE 12 CALIFORNIA COMMUNITIES. AND I DON'T KNOW THAT I DARE MENTION THIS, BEING THIS FAR NORTH IN CALIFORNIA, BUT THE LARGEST CITY IN THE KAB SYSTEM, ABOUT TO BECOME FINALLY CERTIFIED, IS LOS ANGELES. WE'RE VERY PROUD OF THAT. WE HAD THE BIG KICKOFF IN JANUARY, AND I CAN TELL YOU THAT MAYOR BRADLEY AND I HAD DISCUSSIONS. FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH, AND WE TALKED ABOUT USING THE SYSTEM AS PART OF THE EDUCATIONAL PROCESS IN ADDRESSING THE SOLID WASTE ISSUE AND, OF COURSE, THAT IS OF MAJOR MAGNITUDE IN THAT GREAT CITY.

I COME BRIEFLY TO PLEDGE OUR SUPPORT AS YOU MAKE YOUR DECISIONS AND YOU PLAN WHAT YOU WANT TO DO HERE IN CALIFORNIA IN ADDRESSING THE SOLID WASTE ISSUE. WOULD HOPE THAT YOU WOULD GIVE SOME CONSIDERATION TO DESIGNATING CALIFORNIA AS A KAB SYSTEM COMMUNITY SO THAT WE COULD FURTHER EXPAND THE KAB SYSTEM TO ADDRESS THE LITTER ISSUE AND TO SPREAD THE WORD ON THE SOLID WASTE ISSUE.

BEYOND THAT, I RESPECTFULLY SUGGEST THAT SINCE THIS STATE HAS ALWAYS BEEN A LEADER IN ADDRESSING ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES. WHY NOT SERVE AS A MODEL IN DEVELOPING IN A PROCESS THAT WE CAN USE ACROSS THIS



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NATION IN ADDRESSING THE SOLID WASTE ISSUE, A PROCESS THAT WOULD ENABLE US TO BRING INDUSTRY AND GOVERNMENT AT EVERY LEVEL AND CIVIC SECTORS TOGETHER IN EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION. PERHAPS EVEN IN THE PLANNING OF A PLAN THAT COULD BE IMPLEMENTED, A PROCESS THAT WE AT KAB. THEN. USING CALIFORNIA AS A MODEL, AS A CASE STUDY, COULD OFFER TO OTHER STATES. IT WOULD SERVE PEOPLE OF CALIFORNIA. THINK IT WOULD BE AN EXCELLENT CONTRIBUTION OF THE BOARD. AND IT CERTAINLY WOULD SERVE THE EFFORT OF KAB IN MOVING CLOSER TO ITS GOAL AND COLLAPSING THE TIME NECESSARY TO HOPEFULLY DEVELOP A NATIONAL CONSENSUS ON THE SOLID WASTE ISSUE. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, FOR GIVING ME THIS TIME. CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU, ROGER. I THINK MR. BROWN WOULD LIKE TO ASK YOU A QUESTION.

> BOARD MEMBER BROWN: NOT A QUESTION. I JUST WANT TO COMPLIMENT YOU FOR RECOGNIZING AND PUTTING AS AN UNDERPINNING TO THE KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL CONCEPT THE BASIC VIEW THAT AN INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM IS. IN FACT, AT THE FOREFRONT OF THE WHOLE ISSUE OF DISPOSAL. AND THOSE WHO WOULD FOCUS ON ONE OR TWO OF THE DISPOSAL METHODS REALLY DON'T HAVE A HANDLE ON IT. AND I COMPLIMENT YOU BECAUSE I THINK THAT YOU CAN -- DO GO AND MAKE A GREAT STRIDE IN TERMS OF KEEPING AMERICA



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BEAUTIFUL, IF YOU WILL, OVER THE ENTIRE CONCEPT IF YOU WILL USE AS THE BASIS FOR YOUR EFFORT THE INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM. AND I COMPLIMENT YOU FOR SEEING THAT AT THE OUTSET.

MR. POWERS: THANK YOU, MR. BROWN. I WOULD JUST ADD TO THAT -- PERHAPS I'M ON DANGEROUS GROUND, BUT THAT DOESN'T STOP ME VERY OFTEN. I AM CONCERNED, FRANKLY, THAT ALL OF THE TALK ABOUT RECYCLING AND THE INVOLVEMENT THAT WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO STIMULATE COULD DOWNSTREAM. UNLESS WE CONCERN OURSELVES WITH CREATING MARKETS FOR SECONDARY MATERIALS, CAUSE US A HORRENDOUS PROBLEM.

I REMEMBER WELL IN THE EARLY '70S, AS PERHAPS MANY OF YOU CAN REMEMBER, WHEN WE PROMOTED RECYCLING WITH NO CONCERN WITH MARKETS. AND WE HAD PILES OF GARBAGE BUILT UP THROUGHOUT THIS COUNTRY. AND WHAT WE REALLY DID IS CREATED SERIOUS CREDIBILITY PROBLEMS FOR OUTSELVES. WE'RE STILL LIVING WITH THAT IN SOME SO I AGREE WITH YOU. QUARTERS. I THANK YOU FOR BRINGING IT OUT.

I WOULD HOPE THAT CONSISTENT WITH THAT INTEGRATED SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT APPROACH AND PROMOTING RECYCLING, WE'RE TELLING PEOPLE THAT IS NOT THE SOLUTION. IT'S JUST ONE OF THE OPTIONS AVAILABLE TO US.

> CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: MR. VARNER.

BOARD MEMBER VARNER: MR. CHAIRMAN. YOU KNOW.



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I WANT TO COMPLIMENT YOU ON YOUR STATEMENT THAT SAYS

LET'S GET THE FACTS OUT BEFORE WE GET THE PEOPLE

INVOLVED. THAT IS ONE OF THE MOST INTELLIGENT THINGS

I'VE HEARD SAID. WE HAVE SO MANY PEOPLE NOW THAT ARE

PUSHING THINGS. AND FOR THOSE THAT ARE WILLING TO GET UP

AND STATE THE FACTS AND EXPOSE THEMSELVES ARE BEING

CASTIGATED REGULARLY BECAUSE IT SEEMS LIKE WE HAVE AN

ELEMENT OUT THERE THAT DOES NOT WANT TO ADDRESS THE FACTS

AT ALL, BUT THEY WANT TO HAVE THEIR OWN WAY FOR WHATEVER

REASON AND ELIMINATE PEOPLE FROM ANY AUTHORITY THAT DO

KNOW THE FACTS AND ARE NOT AFRAID TO GET UP AND STATE

THEM. SO I WANT TO REALLY COMPLIMENT YOU.

MR. POWERS: THANK YOU. I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE STOP THE SEARCH FOR VILLAINS AND RECOGNIZE THAT WE'RE ALL A PART OF THE PROBLEM. WORKING TOGETHER, WE CAN SOLVE IT.

WHAT WE USE, WITHOUT THROWING IN A BUNCH OF BEHAVIORAL JARGON, IS A VERY SIMPLE BUSINESS CONCEPT AND USED IN GOVERNMENT. YOU GET THE FACTS BEFORE YOU, INVOLVE THE PEOPLE IN A PLAN OF ACTION THAT'S RESULTS ORIENTED, AND THEN YOU GIVE THEM THE PAT ON THE BACK, THE POSITIVE REINFORCEMENT THAT THEY NEED. AS I SAY, IT'S BEEN WORKING FOR US VERY EFFECTIVELY IN CHANGING LITTERING BEHAVIOR. THAT'S THE ESSENCE OF OUR SYSTEM.



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PREVENT IT, CAUSING PEOPLE TO THINK INWARDLY ABOUT THE SOLVING THAT PROBLEM AND SETTING AN EXAMPLE. WHY CAN'T WE APPLY THE SAME CONCEPT IN DEALING WITH A MUCH BIGGER PROBLEM OF SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL?

BOARD MEMBER MOSCONE: MR. CHAIRMAN.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: YES.

BOARD MEMBER MOSCONE: MR. POWERS, I, TOO. WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS MY CONGRATULATIONS AND EVERYTHING THAT GOES WITH IT AS I HAVE NOT HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO READ THIS OVERVIEW. OF COURSE, KAB IS NOT A NEW THING WITH THIS BOARD, BUT I DO WANT TO COMPLIMENT YOU IN DOING . SOMETHING LIKE THIS BECAUSE, UNFORTUNATELY, THERE ARE TOO MANY ORGANIZATIONS WHO, IN THEIR TITLES OR WHATEVER, ARE TELLING YOU THAT THEY'RE DOING ALL OF THIS, BUT THEY'RE CONFINING ALL OF THEIR EFFORTS TO POLITICS AND NOT TO STUFF LIKE THIS. ! THINK THIS IS GREAT.

MR. POWERS: THANK YOU. THAT IS A PRODUCT. INCIDENTALLY, OF A LOT OF RESEARCH AND AVAILING OURSELVES OF THE RESOURCES OF A LOT OF ORGANIZATIONS. SIT IN OUR OFFICES AND PUT THAT TOGETHER OUT OF INSIGHT OR EVEN EXPERIENCE. WE'VE HAD A LOT OF HELP PUTTING THAT TOGETHER, AND I THINK IT'S RIGHT TODAY THE ONLY PUBLICATION WHERE YOU CAN FIND IN ONE SPOT, IN LAY TERMS. THAT LAYING OUT OF THE INTEGRATED SYSTEM. SO WE'RE KIND OF PLEASED.



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CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: MR. BEAUTROW.

BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: YOU MENTIONED DURING
YOUR TALK ABOUT DESIGNATING THE ENTIRE STATE. MAYBE I
CAN ASK JOHN, HOW COULD WE DO THAT? HOW COULD WE GET
THIS MOVING IN WHATEVER MECHANISM THAT WE ARE ABLE TO
ELICIT? HOW COULD WE DO THAT?

MR. POWERS: I MENTIONED THIS TO GEORGE.

INCIDENTALLY. I SHOULD MENTION TO ALL THESE PEOPLE AND
ALL OF YOU HOW PROUD THAT GEORGE EOWAN IS ON OUR BOARD.

I MEAN SINCERELY, GEORGE, ALL KIDDING ASIDE. THAT'S A

CONSIDERATION FOR US.

BOARD, WHY NOT DESIGNATE CALIFORNIA AS A KAB SYSTEM
STATE? IT SIMPLY MEANS THAT THIS BOARD WOULD MAKE THAT
DESIGNATION. THAT THERE WOULD BE A PERSON PERHAPS IN
GEORGE'S OFFICE THAT WOULD BE IDENTIFIED AS THE STATE
COORDINATOR FOR THE EXPANSION OF THE KAB SYSTEM, AND
WORKING WITH KAB AND TRAINING -- IDENTIFYING COMMUNITIES
TO COME IN, TRAINING THEM, MONITORING, AND PROVIDING
NECESSARY FIELD COUNSEL, AND FROM TIME TO TIME HOLDING
SERIES OF MEETINGS WITH COORDINATORS WITHIN THE
CALIFORNIA SYSTEM. EVERY ONE OF THE KAB SYSTEM
COMMUNITIES HAS A PAID COORDINATOR, PAID AT THE LOCAL
LEVEL, WHO RUNS THAT PROGRAM DAY IN AND DAY OUT, THE ARMS
AND LEGS, THE LIAISON WITH THE BOARDS OF DIRECTORS AND



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THE WORKING SUBCOMMITTEES.

THAT'S WHAT WE NEED AND A BUDGET. I MEAN,
THERE HAS TO BE SOME DOLLARS APPLIED TO THIS. YOU KNOW,
WE'RE SAYING WE DON'T NEED BIG DOLLARS. WE DID THAT FOR
20 YEARS, THREW DOLLARS AT THE PROBLEM, AND THAT IN
ITSELF DOESN'T DO IT. YOU NEED THE INVOLVEMENT, THE
PLANNING, THE SYSTEM THAT WE OFFER TO GIVE CONTINUITY TO
CHANGING THE ATTITUDE. WE NEED A BUDGET TO ENABLE THAT
FOR A COORDINATOR'S OFFICE AND, AS I SAY, PERHAPS IN
GEORGE'S OFFICE.

I HAVE TO TELL YOU I DID MENTION THIS TO GEORGE, AND I KNOW IT'S NOT PLANTED. I DID WANT TO BRING IT OUT THIS MORNING, AND I DO HOPE YOU WILL GIVE THAT CONSIDERATION. WE'RE NOT TALKING ABOUT BIG DOLLARS.

WE'RE NOT TALKING ABOUT A BIG STAFF, BUT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT TARGETING ACTION FOR THE SYSTEM FOR LITTER PREVENTION, RECYCLING, AND EDUCATION IN THE SOLID WASTE AREA.

BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: TO CARRY THIS FORWARD,
MAYBE IT'S APPROPRIATE THAT GEORGE WOULD BRING THIS BACK
AS AN AGENDA FOR ACTION WITH WHATEVER RESOLUTIONS OR PLAN
THAT COULD BE ACTED UPON AT THE NEXT MEETING.

MR. EOWAN: I WOULD APPRECIATE THAT DIRECTION,
AND WE HAVE BEEN WORKING ON THIS WITH KAB FOR A NUMBER OF
WEEKS, MONTHS NOW. AND I THINK WE'RE READY TO PRESENT



1 SOMETHING THAT I THINK WILL BE REPRESENTATIVE OF WHAT 2 CALIFORNIA IS INVOLVED WITH. AND ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO IS MAKE SURE THAT ALL OF THE ISSUES 3 ARE COVERED WITH THE VARIOUS STATE AGENCIES. 4 5 OUR THINKING NOW IS THAT WE'LL PROBABLY 6 WANT TO INVOLVE AGENCIES LIKE CALTRANS, FOR EXAMPLE, AND 7 PARKS DEPARTMENT WHO HAVE SIGNIFICANT RESPONSIBILITIES IN LITTER TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE COVERING ALL OF THE 8 IMPORTANT MISSIONS THAT KAB IS INVOLVED WITH SO THAT WE 9 DO A GOOD JOB. I THINK WE CAN PUT SOMETHING TOGETHER FOR 10 11 YOU TO CONSIDER AS FAR AS A STAFFING DIRECTION TO FULFILL 12 THE REQUIREMENTS THAT KAB HAS. 13 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU, GEORGE. 14 ROGER, I'M SURE YOU CAN SEE BY THE SPONTANEOUS ENTHUSIASM OF THIS BOARD THAT THEY WELCOME 15 16 YOU INTO THE DILEMMA, AND I'LL TELL YOU WE'LL BE WAITING 17 FOR GEORGE TO COME BACK TO US WITH A POSITIVE RECOMMENDATION. 18 19 MR. POWERS: THANK YOU. 20 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU FOR COMING OUT. 21 WE'RE NOW READY, I ASSUME, MR. EOWAN. TO 22 ATTACK 1(B). 23 MR. EOWAN: GIVE IT A GO. 24 MR. ORR: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN AND BOARD 25 MEMBERS.



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THIS SECOND ASPECT OF ITEM 1, ITEM 1(B) WILL UPDATE YOU IN TERMS OF WHAT'S BEEN GOING ON OVER THE LAST SEVERAL MONTHS WITH THE OTHER COMPONENTS OF WHAT WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR EMERGENCY REGULATIONS UNDER AB 2448.

TO GIVE YOU A LITTLE BACKGROUND, WE HAD SEVERAL MEETINGS, I THINK IT WAS AT THE JANUARY AND FEBRUARY BOARD MEETINGS, WHERE WE CONSIDERED A DRAFT BY STAFF OF REGULATIONS FOR THE UNIFORM STANDARDS FOR CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE. AND THEN IN FEBRUARY WE CONSIDERED THE APPROVAL PROCESS THAT REFLECTED INCORPORATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SOLID WASTE CLEANUP AND MAINTENANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE PLANS.

ON FEBRUARY 7TH, IN THE MIDDLE OF THOSE TWO MEETINGS, WE MADE A MAILING TO ALL SOLID WASTE LANDFILL OPERATORS, TO ALL LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, AND TO OUR MAILING LIST OF OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES, WHICH INCLUDES OTHER REGULATING AGENCIES, SUCH AS ALL OF THE REGIONAL WATER BOARDS, STATE BOARD, ALL OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOLID WASTE CLEANUP AND MAINTENANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AND VARIOUS CONSULTANTS, AND OTHER PARTIES THAT HAVE CONTACTED US ABOUT BEING INCLUDED.

WE PUT THOSE REGULATIONS OUT FOR COMMENT. WE INITIALLY ASKED FOR THOSE COMMENTS TO BE RECEIVED



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FEBRUARY 28TH. WHEN IT BECAME APPARENT TO US IT WAS TAKING AWHILE FOR US TO RECEIVE THE COMMENTS, WE FORMALLY EXTENDED THE TIME TO THE MIDDLE OF MARCH TO RECEIVE COMMENTS. WE'VE RECEIVED, AT THIS POINT IN TIME. 26 --NOW IT'S 27 SETS OF COMMENTS. WE RECEIVED AN ADDITIONAL SET OF COMMENTS YESTERDAY.

WHAT WE PLANNED TO DO IS GO THROUGH THE COMMENTS TO GIVE YOU AN IDEA OF THE NATURE OF THE CONCERNS AND THE SUGGESTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE BY THE COMMENTERS IN REVIEWING THE DRAFT REGULATIONS THAT WERE RECEIVED. AND THE WAY WE'D LIKE TO DO THAT IS WE'VE PREPARED DISCUSSION OF SOME OF THE MAJOR POLICY TYPES OF COMMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN RECEIVED FOR CONSIDERATION AT TODAY'S MEETING. AND THEN NEXT MONTH WE'LL BE PLANNING ON BRINGING YOU A MORE DETAILED DISCUSSION OF THE INDIVIDUAL POINTS THAT SHOULD INDICATE ONE OF TWO THINGS.

IT SHOULD. I THINK, SHOW AN INCORPORATED CHANGE IN THE DRAFT REGULATIONS TO REFLECT THE COMMENT THAT WE RECEIVED OR FOR OUR RESPONSE AS TO WHY WE DIDN'T MAKE A CHANGE, EITHER THAT WE HAD ALREADY ACCOMMODATED THAT SITUATION IN THE REGULATION OR THAT WE HAD GIVEN THOUGHT TO THAT, BUT FOR WHATEVER REASON, THAT CHANGE WAS NOT MADE. AND SO WE'VE PREPARED A FORMAT WHERE WE'LL BE LISTING THE COMMENTS THAT ARE RECEIVED, AND THEN THE STAFF'S RESPONSE TO THAT, INDICATING ONE OF THOSE TWO



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NOW, ON TODAY'S DISCUSSION, LIKE I
MENTIONED, WE'RE GOING TO BE LOOKING AT JUST THE VERY
BROAD AREAS THAT WERE IDENTIFIED BY BOTH COMMENTERS FROM
THE REGULATING AGENCIES, THE LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES,
WATER BOARDS, AS WELL AS COMMENTS RECEIVED FROM THE
OPERATORS AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN WHO ACTUALLY HAS COMMENTED, THERE'S A LOG OF THE PARTIES THAT COMMENTED ON THE REGS THAT ARE INCLUDED AS AN ATTACHMENT TO THE AGENDA ITEM BEGINNING ON PAGE 44 OF THE BOARD PACKET.

WHEN WE PRESENT THE SPECIFIC RESPONSES AT NEXT MONTH'S MEETING, NOT ONLY WILL WE IDENTIFY THE COMMENT, BUT WE'LL ALSO IDENTIFY THE INDIVIDUALS THAT MADE THAT SIMILAR COMMENTS TO ONE ANOTHER AND ADDRESS THEM IN A SYNTHESIZED COMPILED MANNER.

THERE ARE SOME VERY MAJOR AREAS THAT WE WILL BE DISCUSSING TODAY, AND THE FIRST OF THOSE HAS TO DO WITH THE RESPECTIVE ROLE OF THE WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD AND THE LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES AS IT PERTAINS TO THESE NEW REGULATIONS. AND A NUMBER OF LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, AS WELL AS A NUMBER OF OPERATORS, HAVE COMMENTED ABOUT THE RESPECTIVE ROLES. THE NATURE OF THE -- THOSE COMMENTS IN GENERAL WOULD BE EITHER THAT THERE IS THE APPREHENSION THAT THERE IS A CHANGE IN THE



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RULES BETWEEN THE WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD AND THE LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES AS REFLECTED IN THESE REGULATIONS.

AND SORT OF A SEPARATE, BUT RELATED,

COMMENT IS THAT IN SOME WAYS THE LOCAL ENFORCEMENT

AGENCIES MAY BE IN A BETTER POSITION BECAUSE OF THEIR

LOCAL NATURE TO KNOW WHAT'S ACTUALLY GOING ON AT

INDIVIDUAL SITES AND MAY BE BETTER PREPARED TO RESPOND TO

THE NEEDS IN A CLOSURE PLAN AND SO FORTH.

WHAT WE'RE GOING TO COMMENT ON HERE IN

GENERAL TODAY IS. MOST SPECIFICALLY, THE DIFFERENCES THAT

ARE REFLECTED, IN FACT, IN THE REGULATIONS THAT WE PUT

OUT FOR DISTRIBUTION BECAUSE THERE WAS, IN FACT, A

DIFFERENT STRUCTURE THAT'S IDENTIFIED IN THE LEGISLATION

THAT REQUIRES THESE CLOSURE PLANS.

I THINK THE KEY TO THAT IS THE DIFFERENCE
BETWEEN AN OPERATOR GETTING A SOLID WASTE FACILITIES
PERMIT, THAT WE'VE BEEN DOING FOR YEARS, AND WHAT THE LAW
NOW WILL REQUIRE IN TERMS OF APPROVING OF CLOSURE PLANS.

NOW, WHAT THE LAW REQUIRES IN TERMS OF THE PERMITS IS THAT THEY ARE LOCALLY WRITTEN PERMITS THAT ARE APPROVED BY THE LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCY AND THE BOARD CONCURS IN THAT PERMIT. NOW, THE DIFFERENCE WITH THAT AND THE CLOSURE PLAN IS THAT UNDER THE LAW THERE ARE THREE AGENCIES THAT REQUIRE SEPARATE AND DISTINCT APPROVAL OF THAT PLAN UNDER THE EASTIN BILL. THOSE WOULD



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INCLUDE THE CALIFORNIA WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD DIRECTLY,
THE LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCY, AND THE REGIONAL WATER
BOARD FOR WHERE THAT LANDFILL IS LOCATED. AND SO THAT
DOES SET OUT A VERY -- A DIFFERENCE IN THE WAY THINGS
HAVE BEEN DONE HISTORICALLY.

NOW, THERE COULD BE TWO EXPLANATIONS FOR THAT. I THINK PART OF IT HAS TO DO WITH THESE NEW FINANCIAL ASSURANCE REQUIREMENTS THAT WE JUST DISCUSSED IN THE LAST ITEM, AND THAT THE BOARD IS ULTIMATELY THE PARTY THAT'S TO DETERMINE WHETHER A FINANCIAL MECHANISM IS ACCEPTABLE AND EQUIVALENT AS SPECIFIED UNDER THE LAW.

NOW, THE FIRST WAY THAT THE BOARD WOULD BE IN THE POSITION TO MAKE A DETERMINATION ON THAT IS THROUGH THE REGULATIONS THAT WE DISCUSSED. NOW, IN THE EVENT THAT THERE ARE SOME SPECIFICS -- SOME VARIATIONS FROM THE REGULATIONS THAT NEED TO BE CONSIDERED, IT'S REALLY THE BOARD THAT IS IN A POSITION TO MAKE A DETERMINATION ON THAT. AND SO THAT MAY BE PART OF THE ANSWER AS TO WHY THE APPROVAL SITUATION IS DIFFERENT FROM THIS VERSUS THE PERMIT PROCESS.

NOW, I WENT DOWN AND I ADDRESSED THE EAC
MEETING TO UPDATE THEM ON WHAT'S TRANSPIRED REGARDING THE
REGULATIONS IN THE PREVIOUS SEVERAL MONTHS. AND WHEN I
WAS TALKING TO THEM ABOUT THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN
CONCURRING IN THE PERMIT BY THE BOARD AND APPROVING OF



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THE PLAN BY THE BOARD, THERE WAS SOME CONFUSION AS TO 1 WHAT THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN CONCURRENCE AND APPROVAL IS. 2 THAT -- IN LOOKING IT UP IN THE DICTIONARY, THE 3 DEFINITION FOR CONCUR WOULD TEND TO INDICATE THAT YOU ARE APPROVING OF SOMETHING; AND SO, THEREFORE, WHAT IS THE 5 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN CONCURRING AND APPROVING OF A PLAN? 6 7 WELL, THE RESPONSE THAT I WOULD HAVE TO THAT, AT THIS POINT, IS THAT IN CONCURRING IN SOMETHING, 8 YOU ARE CONCURRING IN THE FINDINGS OR THE DECISIONS BY 9 THE LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCY IN REGARD TO THE PERMIT. 10 11 IN APPROVING OF THE PLAN. YOU ARE DIRECTLY ASSESSING THE SUBSTANCE OF THAT PLAN ITSELF AND ARE NOT 12 NECESSARILY CONCURRING IN A LOCAL DECISION. 13 14 AND SO I THINK THERE IS A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN CONCURRING OR APPROVING OF THE PLAN THAT IS 15 16 FUNDAMENTAL IN THESE REGULATIONS. 17 NOW, IN TERMS OF HOW WE'VE STRUCTURED THEM. WE HAVE TRIED TO ADHERE AS CLOSELY AS POSSIBLE TO THE 18 19 INTENT OF THE LAW AS SPELLED OUT IN THE GOVERNMENT CODE FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE PLANS. 20 AND IT HAS INCLUDED BOTH THE APPROVAL PROCESS AND THE STANDARDS THAT WOULD BE PART 21 22 OF THE APPROVAL OF THE CLOSURE PLANS. 23 NOW, THERE HAVE BEEN SOME ADDITIONAL 24 STANDARDS THAT WE INCLUDED THAT WE FELT WERE NECESSARY TO 25 REVISE, AND I'LL GET INTO THAT IN A COUPLE OF MINUTES.



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THAT ARE CURRENTLY OPERATING STANDARDS. AND IN THOSE AREAS WE THINK THAT IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO MAINTAIN THE RELATIONSHIP THAT IS SPECIFIED UNDER THE PERMIT PROCESS WITH THE BOARD CONCURRING IN THOSE TYPES OF FINDINGS. AND WE'LL BE TALKING ABOUT THAT IN MORE DETAIL WHEN WE BRING THOSE COMMENTS TO YOU NEXT MONTH.

NOW, IN TERMS OF SOME OF THE RELATED ISSUES THERE, PROBABLY ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT IS THE ISSUE OF CEQA OR REVIEW UNDER THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY NOW, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE HAVE BEEN LOOKING ACT. INTO AT THE STAFF LEVEL HAS BEEN HOW THIS CLOSURE PLAN APPROVAL PROCESS MAY BE CONSIDERED AS AN EQUIVALENT PROCESS UNDER THE CEQA ACT. AND ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE FOUND OUT IS THAT IN ORDER FOR THIS TO BE A POSSIBILITY, A STATE AGENCY HAS TO BE THE LEAD AGENCY IN APPROVING THE PLANS.

AND SO ONE OTHER POSSIBILITY THAT WE MAY TURN INTO AN ADVANTAGE IS THAT THESE PLANS MAY NOT HAVE TO GO THROUGH A SEPARATE CEQA PROCESS IF WE ARE ABLE TO GET THE APPROVAL FROM THE RESOURCES AGENCY THROUGH THEIR PROCESS FOR DETERMINING EQUIVALENT PROGRAMS.

NOW, THIS, AGAIN, WOULD BE VERY DIFFERENT FROM THE PERMIT PROCESS THAT IS LOCALLY ADMINISTERED, AND THERE HAS BEEN SOME DISCUSSION AT THE ENFORCEMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL AND OTHER FORUMS ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY



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OF HAVING THE PERMITS ALSO WITH CEQA EQUIVALENTS. THAT
MAY BE A VIABLE ISSUE ALSO FOR THAT PROCESS. BUT ONE OF
THE THINGS THAT WE FOUND IN DISCUSSING THIS WITH THE
RESOURCES AGENCY IS USUALLY WHEN A PROGRAM IS CONSIDERED
CEQA EQUIVALENT. IT'S ONLY FOR A SMALL COMPONENT, NOT THE
ENTIRE ACTIVITIES OF THAT AGENCY.

SO, FOR EXAMPLE, THE REGIONAL WATER BOARD'S WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS MAY BE A CEQA EQUIVALENT PROGRAM. BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN THAT EVERYTHING ELSE THAT THE WATER BOARDS DO WOULD ALSO BE A CEQA EQUIVALENT PROGRAM. SO WE WOULD BE LOOKING AT -- AT LEAST PURSUING THIS AREA OF THE PROGRAM AS A CEQA EQUIVALENT PROGRAM, AND WE'LL HAVE MORE TO SAY ABOUT THAT IN COMING MONTHS.

NOW, I'D LIKE TO EMPHASIZE THAT WHAT WE'RE BRINGING TO YOU HERE TODAY ARE ISSUES THAT WERE RAISED BY THESE 26 COMMENTERS, THEY'RE NOT ONES THAT WE'VE INITIATED. AND I THINK THIS IS IMPORTANT BECAUSE AS WE GO INTO THE FORMAL RULEMAKING PROCESS, WE'LL BE NEEDING TO RESPOND IN THAT MANNER OR EVEN MAYBE A MORE STRINGENT MANNER TO ALL OF THE COMMENTS THAT WE RECEIVED TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'VE ADDRESSED ALL OF THEM. I THINK THAT THIS WILL PROVIDE A GOOD EXERCISE TO SHOW WHAT ACTUALLY WILL BE INVOLVED, NOT FOR THE EMERGENCY REGULATIONS THAT WE'LL BE BRINGING TO YOU FOR CONSIDERATION IN JUNE; BUT WHEN WE ENTER INTO THE FORMAL RULEMAKING PROCESS, THE TYPE OF



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EXERCISE THAT WE'LL BE GOING THROUGH TO MAKE SURE THAT WE EITHER ACCOMMODATE OR RESPOND TO ALL OF THE COMMENTS THAT WE RECEIVED.

NOW, AN EXAMPLE OF THAT --

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: EXCUSE ME, BILL, BEFORE YOU YOU GO ANY FURTHER. IN GOING THROUGH HERE AND LOOKING AT THE COMMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE TO QUESTIONS RAISED, I COULD NOT FIND ANY THAT REFERENCED ANOTHER REQUEST THAT WE HAVE HAD; AND, THAT IS, CERTIFICATION OF LEA'S. WE HAVE A LETTER -- MEMBERS OF THE BOARD TODAY HAVE A LETTER FROM THIS CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE OF DIRECTORS OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH, WHO, I GUESS, PLAY A BIG ROLE IN THE LEA SITUATION, ASKING THAT THAT BE INCLUDED AMONGST THE COMMENTS AND THAT THE BOARD NOT MAKE ANY FINAL DECISION UNTIL AFTER WE HAVE HAD AN AOPPORTUNITY AT THE LOCAL LEA LEVEL TO DISCUSS THESE REGULATIONS.

SO WILL YOU PLEASE KEEP THAT IN MIND? I'D
BE HAPPY TO PASS ON A COPY OF THIS LETTER IF YOU HAVE NOT
RECEIVED ONE. IT DOES NOT SHOW WHETHER OR NOT YOU HAVE,
SO IT SHOULD BE ONE THAT WE TAKE INTO ACCOUNT.

MR. EOWAN: WE JUST RECEIVED THAT THIS MORNING.
BUT I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT IN OUR PURSUIT OF THAT IDEA,
WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A LOT OF DISCUSSIONS WITH STAFF, WITH
YOU. THAT'S NOT SOMETHING WE WANT TO RAMROD.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: I WANTED THAT IN THE RECORD



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WHILE WE'RE HERE.

MR. ORR: I THINK THAT THAT HIGHLIGHTS WHAT I WAS JUST INDICATING. THAT WHAT WE BROUGHT TO YOU TODAY ARE NOT COMMENTS THAT WE INITIATED, BUT WERE ONES THAT WERE BROUGHT TO OUR ATTENTION AS POSSIBILITIES.

NOW, ONE OF THE ISSUE REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF THE LEA IS THE COMMENT THAT I WANTED TO GET TO NEXT. AND AS I MENTIONED, I ADDRESSED THE ENFORCEMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL AT THEIR MEETING LAST WEEK DOWN IN ORANGE COUNTY. AND DURING THE COURSE OF THAT STATUS REPORT AND UPDATE, WE DID DISCUSS VARIOUS POSSIBILITIES FOR THE LEA ROLE IN REGARD TO CERTIFICATION AS ONE OPTION FOR THE ROLE OF THE LEA'S IN THIS PROCESS. AND LIKE I SAID, THIS ISN'T AN AREA THAT WE INITIATED. IT WAS ACTUALLY CONTAINED IN THE COMMENTS THAT WE RECEIVED FROM LEA'S. AND SO WE BASICALLY TREATED IT AT FACE VALUE.

NOW, IN DISCUSSION WITH THE LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, I -- AT THAT MEETING, THERE'S TWO THINGS THAT I AGREED TO BRING FORWARD ON THEIR BEHALF TO YOU TODAY.

THE FIRST IS THAT BASED ON THE INITIAL DISCUSSION, I THINK THAT THERE WAS AN EMPHASIS GIVEN TO HAVING THE LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES RECEIVE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE SO THAT THEY CAN BETTER PERFORM THEIR JOB AND



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ESPECIALLY IN THE CASE OF, SAY, SMALLER LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES THAT MAY NOT HAVE THE TECHNICAL RESOURCES THAT SOME OF THE OTHER LARGER LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES HAVE. THAT THERE BE THE ABILITY TO REQUEST TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. AND PART OF MY RESPONSE INCLUDED IN THE PACKET, I THINK, ADDRESSES THAT ISSUE SPECIFICALLY; BUT ALONG WITH THAT, I THINK THAT THERE'S A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN PROVIDING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND DOING THE JOB OF THE LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCY. AND I THINK THOSE ARE THE FINE-TUNED POINTS REGARDING THE RESPECTIVE ROLES OF THE LEA'S AND THE BOARD THAT WILL HAVE TO BE FURTHER EXAMINED. NOW, THE SECOND THING THAT WAS AGREED UPON

AT THE EAC MEETING WAS THAT THE EAC WANTED TO HAVE FURTHER DISCUSSIONS, NOT JUST ABOUT THE CERTIFICATION IDEA, BUT ABOUT THIS WHOLE GENERAL AREA OF THE ROLE OF LEA'S AND SO FORTH IN THESE, AND I BELIEVE THAT IT WAS TO BE INCLUDED AS AN AGENDA ITEM AT THE NEXT EAC MEETING.

SO IN THE DISCUSSION TODAY ALL I WANTED TO MENTION IS THAT THIS WAS A COMMENT THAT WAS BROUGHT TO OUR ATTENTION AND THAT WE ARE GIVING CONSIDERATION TO IT AS SUCH.

NOW, IN TERMS OF -- I THINK THAT IN ADDITION TO THE ONE COMMENT THAT RAISED THE CERTIFICATION



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IDEA, I THINK THE GENERAL CONCERN IS THE BOARD'S

OVERSIGHT ROLE IN GENERAL AND PROVIDING ADEQUATE TRAINING

AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. AND I DID INCLUDE SOME

SPECIFIC ITEMS THERE IN TERMS OF THINGS THAT THE LEA'S

CAN DO TO BE QUALIFIED AND IN A POSITION TO APPROVE THE

PLANS UNDER THE EASTIN LEGISLATION.

THE FIRST ELEMENT OF THAT IS THAT AB 3071,
THAT WAS CLEANUP LANGUAGE TO THE EASTIN BILL LAST YEAR,
INCLUDED A PROVISIONS WHERE THE LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCY
CAN FULLY RECOVER THE COSTS FOR EVALUATING THE CLOSURE
AND POSTCLOSURE PLANS SUBMITTED TO THEM. AND SO THAT
SHOULD -- THAT WOULD BE DIFFERENT THAN THE LIMITATION ON
THE APPLICATION FEE FOR A SOLID WASTE FACILITIES PERMIT,
WHICH I BELIEVE IS CURRENTLY \$500.

SO IN TERMS OF ONE THING THAT WOULD ENABLE
A LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCY TO PROPERLY STAFF AND HAVE THE
RESOURCES TO APPROVE THE PLANS WOULD BE THIS PROVISION
THAT WAS BUILT INTO LAST YEAR'S LEGISLATION.

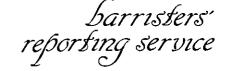
CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: MR. VARNER.

BOARD MEMBER VARNER: YOU KNOW, THE COMMENT OF
THE LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES RECOVERING THEIR COSTS,
MAYBE I DIDN'T READ THE WHOLE THING, BUT WHO DO THEY
RECOVER THESE COSTS FROM?

MR. ORR: IT WOULD BE FROM THE OPERATORS THROUGH A FEE CHARGED FOR REVIEWING THE PLANS.



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THE SECOND ITEM THAT! JUST WANTED TO TOUCH ON BRIEFLY IS THAT THE BOARD CONTRIBUTES TO LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCY TRAINING THROUGH AN ONGOING PROGRAM OF LEA TRAINING WHICH WE'VE HAD A SERIES OVER THE YEARS OF LOCAL ENFORCEMENT TRAINING SEMINARS, AND THAT'S A CONTINUING ACTIVITY THAT'S CURRENTLY GOING FORWARD RIGHT NOW. BUT I THINK IN ADDITION TO THAT GENERAL AREA OF TRAINING, WHEN THESE REGULATIONS GO INTO EFFECT, THERE'S GOING TO BE THE NEED TO HAVE SPECIFIC IMPLEMENTATION TRAINING SESSIONS AVAILABLE TO THE LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES SO THAT THEY CAN BECOME FAMILIAR WITH THE REGULATIONS THAT WE'VE DEVELOPED, SO THAT THEY CAN -- SO THAT THEY CAN ADMINISTER THEM IN APPROVING THE PLANS.

AND THEN I THINK THAT THE THIRD ELEMENT -CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: EXCUSE ME, BILL. HAS THAT BEEN
PASSED ON TO MR. EOWAN, THAT WE HAVE SOME SPECIAL
TRAINING PROGRAMS FOR LEA'S WITH REGARDS TO THESE
REGULATIONS, ETC.?

MR. EOWAN: YES. I'M AWARE OF THAT, AND WE'RE HOPEFULLY GOING TO BE INCLUDING THAT IN OUR TRAINING.

MR. ORR: THEN THE FINAL ELEMENT AND THIS, I
THINK, ALSO HIGHLIGHTS THE ACTIVITIES THAT THE BOARD HAS
ALREADY ENGAGED IS THE LOCAL ENFORCEMENT EVALUATION
PROGRAM THAT WE RECEIVED THE FIRST REPORT OF AT THE LAST
MEETING IN MODESTO.



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IN TERMS OF THE EVALUATION TO GO ALONG WITH THE RESOURCES AND THE TRAINING, I THINK THAT THIS COMPLETES THE PACKAGE IN TERMS OF WAYS THAT THE BOARD CAN CONTRIBUTE TO THE LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES BEING ABLE TO FULLY IMPLEMENT THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES TO APPROVE THESE CLOSURE PLANS.

AND I THINK THAT WE'LL BE SEEING MORE ABOUT THAT. AND I THINK THAT THAT -- THE DISCUSSIONS WITH THE ENFORCEMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL AND OTHERS WILL ALSO GIVE A BETTER HANDLE ON MAYBE HOW THIS PARTICULAR ASPECT COULD BE FOLDED INTO THAT ENFORCEMENT EVALUATION PROGRAM.

IF THERE AREN'T ANY OTHER COMMENTS ABOUT

THOSE -- THAT PARTICULAR GROUP OF ISSUES, I'LL MOVE INTO

THE NEXT AREA.

THIS SECOND AREA HAS TO DO WITH THE SUGGESTION BY OTHER REGULATORY AGENCIES AND OPERATORS AND LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, AS WELL, THAT FOR SOME REASON OR ANOTHER THE BOARD SHOULD DEFER EITHER DEVELOPING REGULATIONS OR ENFORCING REGULATIONS TO OTHER AGENCIES.

AND THESE OTHER AGENCIES WOULD MOST SPECIFICALLY INCLUDE THE REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARDS AND LOCAL AIR DISTRICTS IN CERTAIN AREAS, AND I'LL BE GOING INTO THOSE INDIVIDUALLY.

NOW. THE FIRST, I THINK, BASIC ISSUE HAS TO DO WITH THE AUTHORITY FOR THE BOARD TO ADOPT REGULATIONS.



AND THAT -- HOW THAT AUTHORITY IS REALLY NOT IN THE POSITION TO INFRINGE ON THE ABILITY OF ANY OTHER AGENCY TO UTILIZE THEIR OWN STATUTORY AUTHORITY. I THINK ONE OF THE CONCERNS HAS BEEN THAT IF YOU HAVE REGULATIONS IN THE AREA OF GROUNDWATER MONITORING, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT SOMEHOW THAT LIMITS THE ABILITY OF A REGIONAL WATER BOARD TO BE ABLE TO ADMINISTER SUBCHAPTER 15.

WELL, THE WAY THAT STATUTES ARE SET UP, YOU MAY HAVE AN OVERLAPPING AUTHORITY WHERE THE WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD IS SPECIFICALLY GIVEN AUTHORITY TO PROMULGATE STANDARDS FOR THE PROTECTION OF AIR, WATER, AND LAND FROM POLLUTION. THERE IS SOME OVERLAP IN THE STATUTORY AUTHORITY FOR THIS BOARD IN PROMULGATING ITS REGULATIONS WITH SIMILAR KINDS OF AUTHORITIES FOR OTHER AGENCIES; BUT THAT OVERLAPPING AUTHORITY DOES NOT INFRINGE ON ANOTHER AGENCY'S ABILITY TO ADMINISTER THEIR OWN PROGRAM.

LEGISLATION PROPER WHERE IT INDICATES THAT ANY STANDARDS
THAT THE BOARD PROMULGATES CANNOT INFRINGE ON THE
REGIONAL BOARD'S AUTHORITY TO ADOPT CLOSURE AND
POSTCLOSURE STANDARDS. SO I THINK IT'S REASONABLY CLEAR
THAT THE AUTHORITY FOR ADOPTING REGULATIONS CAN EXIST IN
MORE THAN ONE AGENCY, AND THAT GENERALLY EACH OF THESE
AGENCIES WILL LOOK AT THAT PARTICULAR AUTHORITY WITHIN



THEIR OWN AREA OF EMPHASIS.

NOW, IN THE AREAS OF REGIONAL WATER BOARDS

AND STATE BOARD ADOPTING REGULATIONS, THAT WOULD BE IN

TERMS OF PROTECTING THE BENEFICIAL USES OF WATERS OF THE

STATE. AND I JUST MENTIONED THE SPECIFIC MANDATE IN

TERMS OF THE BOARD'S AUTHORITY FOR REGULATIONS.

NOW, MORE SPECIFICALLY, IN TERMS OF AB 2448, THERE IS A PROVISION THAT INDICATES THAT THE REGULATIONS THAT WE PROMULGATE SHALL NOT DUPLICATE OR CONFLICT WITH SUBCHAPTER 15.

AND TO FOLLOW UP ON THAT, WHAT THE STAFF HAS DONE HAS DEVELOPED A SERIES OF CRITERIA THAT EXPAND UPON THAT WHICH WILL BE USED BY THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW IN REVIEWING OUR REGULATIONS. AND THOSE SIX CRITERIAS -- WELL, THE SIX CRITERIA THAT OAL USES HAVE TO DO WITH THE AUTHORITY THAT WE'VE DISCUSSED, THE NECESSITY FOR THE REGULATION, THE CLARITY OF THE REGULATION, THAT IT'S A NONDUPLICATION, THAT IT DOESN'T CONFLICT WITH OTHER STATUTES.

THE TWO AREAS HERE, SPECIFICALLY, THAT
WE'RE LOOKING AT WOULD BE NONDUPLICATION, AND WHAT THE
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW WILL USE IN EVALUATING OUR
REGULATIONS AS TO WHETHER THEY DO, IN FACT, DUPLICATE
SUBCHAPTER 15 WOULD BE THAT IT REPEATS OR REPHRASES STATE
OR FEDERAL STATUTE OR REGULATION, ESSENTIALLY WITHOUT THE



AUTHORIZATION TO DO THAT; HOWEVER, IT IS ALLOWED FOR CLARITY OR IF THERE IS AN OVERLAPPING STATUTORY AUTHORITY AND THAT IS RECOGNIZED.

NOW, A SECOND AREA OF DUPLICATION THAT'S

REALLY NOT A SPECIFIC LEGAL DEFINITION WOULD BE THE

DUPLICATION OF EFFORT ON THE PART OF EITHER THE OPERATORS

IN DEVELOPING CLOSURE PLANS AND MEETING THE DIFFERENT

STANDARDS THAT ARE DEVELOPED AND ALSO IN TERMS OF THE

AGENCIES IN TERMS OF COMMITTING THEIR RESOURCES TO EITHER

REVIEW PLANS OR TO ENFORCE STANDARDS OUT IN THE FIELD.

AND, IN GENERAL, THE WAY THAT WE'VE
ATTEMPTED TO ADDRESS THIS IS, FIRST OF ALL, IN TERMS OF
OPERATOR, THAT -- I THINK ONE OF THE ADVANTAGES TO THE
EASTIN LEGISLATION IS IT CREATES ONE CLOSURE PLAN AND
THAT THERE WILL BE ONE COORDINATED AND COMBINED REVIEW
PROCESS OF THOSE CLOSURE PLANS; AND SO, HOPEFULLY, WHEN
THE OPERATOR IS REQUIRED TO DEVELOP A CLOSURE PLAN, IT
WON'T BE GOING TO THIS AGENCY AND THEN AFTER THAT'S
APPROVED, THEN GOING TO THIS AGENCY.

I THINK ONE OF THE PROTECTIONS THAT WAS
INCLUDED IN THE LEGISLATION WAS THE CREATION OF THE SOLID
WASTE CLEANUP AND MAINTENANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AND A
NUMBER OF THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WE'VE BROUGHT TO
YOUR ATTENTION BEFORE REGARDING THE COORDINATED REVIEW OF
CLOSURE PLAN, I BELIEVE, WILL MINIMIZE THE AMOUNT OF



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DUPLICATION OF EFFORT ON THE PART OF THE OPERATOR IN DEVELOPING THESE PLANS.

NOW, IN TERMS OF THE COORDINATION OF EFFORT BY THE AGENCIES, I THINK THAT OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SOLID CLEANUP AND MAINTENANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE WILL ALSO SEEK TO MINIMIZE THAT KIND OF DUPLICATION. THAT WOULD INCLUDE THE FACT THAT -- THAT ALL OF THE AGENCIES WITH RESPONSIBILITY IN CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE WERE REQUESTED TO DESIGNATE A SPECIFIC STAFF PERSON TO WORK WITH US WHILE WE'RE DEVELOPING OUR REGULATIONS TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY'LL MESH AS CLOSELY AS POSSIBLE WITH ALL OF THE OTHER REGULATIONS TO ENSURE THAT ALL STATE AND FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS CAN BE MET.

AND AS WELL AS DURING THE ACTUAL

DEVELOPMENT OF REGULATIONS, IT'S BUILT INTO THE PROCESS

THAT THE AGENCIES WILL BE REQUIRED TO SIT DOWN TOGETHER

AND WORK OUT ANY DISCREPANCIES BETWEEN THEIR FINDINGS

REGARDING THE CLOSURE PLANS.

NOW, IN TERMS OF CONFLICT, THE OAL DEFINITION, THAT'S FOUND IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT, INDICATES THAT YOUR REGULATIONS HAVE TO BE IN HARMONY WITH AND NOT IN CONFLICT WITH OR CONTRADICTORY TO EXISTING STATUTES, COURT DECISIONS, OR OTHER PROVISIONS OF LAW. AND IN LOOKING AT THIS, WE FIND THAT THAT'S NOT COMMONLY GOING TO BE THE CASE.



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CALIFORNIA WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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NOW, IN TERMS OF A CONFLICT, THAT MIGHT MEAN THAT IF OUR CLOSURE PLAN SAYS THAT YOU CAN ONLY SUBMIT THAT PLAN TO THE WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD ON TUESDAY, AND THE REGIONAL BOARD SAID THAT YOU CAN ONLY SUBMIT YOUR PLAN ON THURSDAY AND NO OTHER DAY, IF SOMEHOW YOU COULDN'T DO BOTH AND STILL COMPLY WITH THE LAW, THAT WOULD BE A CONFLICT.

I THINK THE MORE COMMON SITUATION WOULD BE WHERE THERE'S A QUESTION OF STRINGENCY. WHERE IT'S A QUESTION OF WHICH REGULATION MAY APPEAR OR MAY ACTUALLY BE MORE STRINGENT THAN ANOTHER ONE. AND IN THAT CASE, WHETHER IT'S A FEDERAL LAW OR ANOTHER AGENCY'S RULE, THE MORE STRINGENT REGULATION WOULD TAKE PRECEDENT IN THAT CASE.

NOW, IN THE CASE OF A REGULATION WHERE IT APPEARED THAT IN NO INSTANCE WOULD THAT REGULATION EVER BE MORE STRINGENT OR EQUALLY STRINGENT TO ANOTHER AGENCY'S REGULATION, THERE WOULD BE LITTLE NECESSITY TO DEVELOP THAT REGULATION IN THE FIRST PLACE BECAUSE IT WOULD NEVER COME INTO PLAY. AND SO BASED ON THE APPLICATION OF THESE TESTS FOR DUPLICATION AND CONFLICT, THE STAFF BELIEVES THAT THERE IS LITTLE INHERENT DUPLICATION OR CONFLICT WITH SUBCHAPTER 15 SPECIFICALLY. AND IN TERMS OF SPECIFIC PROVISIONS WHERE THERE MAY BE SOME OVERLAP OF LANGUAGE OR REPHRASING AND SO FORTH,



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WE'LL BE BRINGING THAT TO YOU IN MORE DETAIL NEXT MONTH. BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: MR. CHAIRMAN.

> CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: MR. BEAUTROW.

BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: I HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THIS -- ONE OF THE SUBMITTALS FROM THE L.A. COUNTY SAN DISTRICT. IT WAS ABOUT A QUARTER OF AN INCH THICK, AND TO BE BLUNT ABOUT IT AND I'LL PARAPHRASE IT, YOU GUYS ARE TREADING IN AREAS OF WHICH YOU HAVE NO JURISDICTION OR RESPONSIBILITY. IT WAS KIND -- I FELT IT WAS A BOMBSHELL BECAUSE I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING -- MOST COMMENTS HAVE TO DO WITH -- LET'S CHANGE THIS TO READ THIS. THIS WAS IN THE GENERAL THEME, SIGNED BY GULLEDGE, WAS THAT YOU ARE IMPOSING YOURSELF WITH DETAILS IN AREAS OF WHICH YOU HAVE NO JURISDICTION AND RESPONSIBILITY.

YOU RESPOND BY SAYING THE PROPOSED REGULATIONS DID NOT INHERENTLY DUPLICATE OR CONFLICT. REALLY DON'T SEE THIS SECTION AND THE ONE THAT YOU ARE GOING TO HANDLE NEXT AS BEING RESPONSIVE TO THAT LETTER. HE WENT ON -- IT'S LIKE A QUARTER OF AN INCH THICK --CITING INSTANCE AFTER INSTANCE, VERY SPECIFIC LANGUAGE. ABOUT WHERE THERE WAS CONFLICTS. AND YOU'RE NOT 1- JUST BY AN OVERALL GENERAL STATEMENT HERE, I DON'T THINK YOU ARE ADEQUATELY RESPONDING TO THAT. OKAY?

I MEAN, THIS IS SERIOUS BUSINESS, AND THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT VERY SPECIFIC DETAILS. AND THEY'RE



SAYING, "WHY ARE YOU GUYS GOING OFF?" AND YOUR ANSWER
WAS, "WELL, WE CAN MAKE STRICTER REGULATIONS." THEY'RE
SAYING, "IF SOMETHING IS NOT BROKEN, DON'T FIX IT." SO I
BELIEVE THAT YOU NEED TO RESPOND MORE FULLY TO WHAT THEY
WERE SAYING.

MR. ORR: WE WILL BE. AND MY STAFF HAS RECEIVED COPIES OF ALL 26 OF THE SETS OF COMMENTS THAT WE RECEIVED, INCLUDING THE L.A. SAN DISTRICT'S COMMENTS. WE'VE BROKEN DOWN INDIVIDUAL POINTS ON EVERY SINGLE COMMENT THAT WE RECEIVED, AND THOSE ARE THE THINGS THAT WILL BE PRESENTED AT NEXT MONTH'S MEETING.

THE ISSUE THAT WE WANTED TO TALK ABOUT HERE TODAY HAD MORE TO DO WITH, FIRST OF ALL, THAT WE CAN'T INFRINGE ON THE WATER BOARD'S AUTHORITY. THAT'S -- THAT WE CANNOT DO THAT. OAL WILL NOT ALLOW US TO DO THAT IN ADOPTING REGULATIONS.

THE SECOND THING THAT WE WANTED TO TALK

ABOUT TODAY WAS THAT REGULATIONS CANNOT INHERENTLY

DUPLICATE OR CONFLICT WITH THIS IF YOU HAVE THE AUTHORITY

TO WORK IN THAT AREA. AND THAT'S WHY THE GENERAL

RESPONSE IS PRESENTED HERE TODAY.

NOW, THE AREAS THAT SOMETHING LIKE THAT MAY, IN FACT, OCCUR WOULD BE ON THE SPECIFIC PROVISION LEVEL, AND THAT'S -- WE WILL BE FULLY RESPONDING TO ALL OF THOSE COMMENTS NEXT MONTH.



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BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: THANK YOU.

MR. ORR: THE SECOND AREA WHERE IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT WE DEFER TO OTHER AGENCIES IS IN THE AREA OF LANDFILL GAS MONITORING. AND THAT PARTICULAR COMMENT, I THINK, IS LARGELY BORNE BY THE RECENT DEVELOPMENTS OF WHAT'S CALLED THE SOLID WASTE ASSESSMENT TEST PROGRAM OR THE SWAT PROGRAM THAT REQUIRED SPECIFIC MONITORING ACTIVITIES OF GROUNDWATER AND AIR TO OCCUR FOR SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL SITES. AND THIS IS BEING IMPLEMENTED BY THE AIR DISTRICTS AND IS A REPORTING REQUIREMENT THROUGH THE STATE AIR RESOURCES BOARD TO THE GOVERNOR AND THE LEGISLATURE.

NOW, HISTORICALLY, HOWEVER, AGAIN, THE WASTE BOARD HAS BEEN GIVEN THE SPECIFIC AND GENERAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR DEALING WITH HAZARDS ASSOCIATED WITH LANDFILL GAS. AND SO I'D LIKE TO GO THROUGH THAT JUST BRIEFLY.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: WHAT PAGE, BILL?

MR. ORR: WELL, LET ME SEE. I GUESS I WON'T GO
THROUGH IT. I DON'T SEE IT IN HERE RIGHT NOW.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: YOU HAVE SOME COMMENTS ON PAGE 49, EXTENT OF EASTIN AUTHORITY.

MR. ORR: OKAY. UNDER -- I GUESS THAT WOULD FIT MOST UNDER ITEM NO. 3, THE EXTENT OF THE EASTIN AUTHORITY.



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AND, ESSENTIALLY, WHAT THAT WOULD MEAN IS THAT THERE'S BEEN SOME SUGGESTIONS THAT CHANGES TO THE OPERATING MINIMUM STANDARDS THAT WERE INCLUDED WITH THE MAILING THAT WE MADE IN THE BEGINNING OF FEBRUARY EXTEND BEYOND THE AUTHORITY THAT THE BOARD WAS GIVEN TO PROMULGATE STANDARDS FOR CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE.

AND THE TWO AREAS THAT HAVE BEEN MENTIONED WOULD BE GROUNDWATER MONITORING AND LEACHATE COMBINED TOGETHER AND LANDFILL GAS CONTROL. AND, AGAIN, THE IDEA WOULD BE THAT OTHER AGENCIES ARE TAKING CARE OF THOSE WHY DO YOU NEED TO PROMULGATE REGULATIONS IN THINGS. THOSE AREAS?

NOW, THIS ACTIVITY THAT WE'VE BEEN ENGAGED IN NOW FOR OVER A YEAR HAS BEEN PART OF AN OVERALL REVIEW AND REVISION TO OUR MINIMUM STANDARDS AND DEVELOPMENT OF NEW CLOSURE STANDARDS FOR THE EASTIN REQUIREMENTS. ONE OF THE THINGS, AS THE STAFF BEGAN TO WORK, BECAME APPARENT TO US IS THAT THERE ARE A LOT OF SITUATIONS THAT ARE IMPORTANT NOT JUST WHEN YOU GET TO CLOSURE, BUT ARE ALSO IMPORTANT WHEN YOU OPEN A LANDFILL AND DURING THE OPERATIONS PHASE OF A LANDFILL AS WELL. AND PROBABLY THE MOST IMPORTANT AREAS ALONG THOSE LINES WOULD BE THE GROUNDWATER MONITORING AND THE LANDFILL GAS MONITORING.

NOW, IN SURVEYING THE REGIONAL BOARD'S



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WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS AND SOME SPECIFIC ONES OF LATE, IT'S BECOME APPARENT TO US THAT THERE ARE A NUMBER OF LANDFILLS AROUND THE STATE THAT DO NOT HAVE ANY GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELLS INSTALLED CURRENTLY; AND, THEREFORE, THEY HAVE NO GROUNDWATER MONITORING PROGRAM THAT'S IN PLACE AND ONGOING.

AND IN TERMS OF WHAT WE FELT WAS NECESSARY
FOR CLOSURE COSTS WOULD BE THAT EITHER A LANDFILL ALREADY
HAS A LANDFILL GAS OR GROUNDWATER MONITORING SYSTEM IN
PLACE AND THAT THERE IS A PROGRAM UNDERGOING THAT CAN BE
THE BASIS FOR DEVELOPING ITEMIZED COSTS, OR THAT THOSE -THAT THE COSTS FOR INSTALLING THOSE WELLS AND SO FORTH
SHOULD ACTUALLY BE INCLUDED IN THE COST ESTIMATES. SO
THAT BY THE TIME THE LANDFILL CLOSES, IT WOULD EITHER
HAVE THE GROUNDWATER MONITORING ALREADY THERE OR THE
MONEY WOULD BE THERE FOR THEM TO IMPLEMENT IT AT THAT
TIME. AND THAT'S REALLY THE EXTENT OF THAT WHICH WE
THINK IS APPROPRIATE UNDER THE EASTIN LEGISLATION.

NOW, THAT DOES NOT REALLY GET INTO THE

ISSUE AS TO WHETHER THE BOARD HAS THE AUTHORITY TO ADOPT

REGULATIONS UNDER THEIR GENERAL AUTHORITY THAT I

MENTIONED PREVIOUSLY FOR LAND, AIR, AND WATER PROTECTION.

AND ONE OF THE SPECIFIC DEFICIENCIES THAT

WE HAD NOTED IN REVIEWING THE EXISTING CHAPTER 3, MINIMUM

STANDARDS, WAS THAT WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE REPORT OF



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DISPOSAL SITE INFORMATION, EVERY ELEMENT OF THE REPORT OF DISPOSAL SITE INFORMATION HAS A CORRESPONDING STANDARD IN IT FOR LANDFILL GAS OR FOR LEACHATE CONTROL OR FOR COVER OR WHATEVER. THE ONE AREA THAT THERE WAS NO STANDARD TO ACCOMPANY IT WAS IN THE AREA OF GROUNDWATER MONITORING.

NOW, THE REPORT OF DISPOSAL SITE INFORMATION DOES SPECIFICALLY REQUIRE THAT THE REPORT INCLUDE INFORMATION ON GROUNDWATER OCCURRENCES AND GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELLS THAT WOULD BE REQUIRED TO DETERMINE WATER QUALITY, BUT NOWHERE ARE THERE ANY SPECIFICATIONS OR ANY INDICATION AS TO WHERE YOU ARE TO COME UP WITH THAT INFORMATION.

AND WHAT WE FOUND IN THE RECEIPT OF THE INITIAL COST ESTIMATES, THAT WE'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT THE STATUS OF OVER THE LAST SEVERAL MONTHS, IS THAT IF THERE IS NO REQUIREMENT SAYING THAT YOU HAVE TO DO THIS OR YOU HAVE TO CONSIDER THIS OR DEVELOP THIS PROGRAM, IN LOOKING AT THE COSTS, THE OPERATORS ARE NOT GOING TO INCLUDE ANY. IN THE CASE WHERE THERE MAY NOT BE A SPECIFIC REQUIREMENT FOR THEM TO INSTALL GROUNDWATER MONITORING OR LANDFILL GAS, WE'LL SEE ZEROS ON THE COST ESTIMATES. IN TERM OF MEETING WHAT WE THINK IS NECESSARY IN TERMS OF CLOSURE COSTS, THAT EITHER THE SYSTEM BE IN PLACE OR THAT THE MONEY BE THERE, YOU NEED TO HAVE REQUIREMENTS IN ORDER FOR THEM TO COME UP WITH AN ITEMIZED COST FOR THAT ITEM.



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THAT ALSO WOULD APPLY TO THE LANDFILL GAS RIGHT NOW, UNLESS A LOCAL AIR DISTRICT REQUIRES AREA. THAT A LANDFILL HAVE LANDFILL GAS MONITORING, IN THOSE CASES WE SEE ZERO AMOUNTS PUT DOWN ON THE INITIAL COST THEY MAY HAVE DONE A SWAT REPORT FOR AN AIR ESTIMATES. DISTRICT. BUT THAT WAS ONLY A ONETIME THING. THERE'S NO ONGOING MONITORING PROGRAM. AND ANOTHER DEFICIENCY THAT WE NOTED IN THE LANDFILL GAS SECTION WAS THAT IT ONLY REQUIRED MONITORING IN THE EVENT THAT THERE WAS REASON TO BELIEVE THAT A SAFETY HAZARD EXISTS. AND THE STAFF'S CONCLUSION WAS THAT THE BASIS FOR DETERMINING WHETHER SAFETY HAZARD EXISTS IS MONITORING.

SO THOSE ARE THE AREAS THAT WE'VE

IDENTIFIED THAT WE FELT WERE NECESSARY TO BRING INTO THAT

LEVEL OF DETAIL FOR THE CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE

REGULATIONS.

NOW, THE LAST AREA THAT I'D LIKE TO DISCUSS TODAY HAS TO DO WITH THE OVERREGULATION SPECIFICALLY OF SPECIALTY WASTE-TYPES OF LANDFILLS. THE SPECIFIC GROUP THAT HAS BEEN MOST VOCAL IN THIS HAS BEEN THE WOOD WASTE LANDFILLS, AND THEY CURRENTLY HAVE AN ASSEMBLY BILL IN THE -- THAT'S UNDER CONSIDERATION, THAT'S AB 1010 -- I THINK IT WILL PROBABLY BE DISCUSSED LATER AT THIS MEETING -- TO EXEMPT THEM ALTOGETHER FROM THE CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS BILL.



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NOW, IN TERMS OF WHAT WE'RE LOOKING AT IN
OUR REGULATIONS RIGHT NOW, WE'RE IMPLEMENTING -- WE'RE
DEVELOPING REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE EXISTING LAW THAT
DOES NOT EXCLUDE THE WOOD WASTE LANDFILLS FROM THIS
PROGRAM. HOWEVER, WE DO BELIEVE THAT IT IS APPROPRIATE
TO PURSUE CERTAIN VARIATIONS ON THE STANDARDS THAT WOULD
TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS OF A
PARTICULAR WASTESTREAM. AND ONE THING THAT WE HAVE
COMMITTED TO IN OUR NEXT DRAFT OF THE REGULATIONS IS
MAKING PROVISIONS FOR INDIVIDUAL STANDARDS TO BE WAIVED
OR FOR VARIANCES TO BE ISSUED AS WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR
THE PARTICULAR WASTESTREAM.

FOR EXAMPLE, IN THE CASE OF A WOOD WASTE LANDFILL, IF IT'S NOT LIKELY TO PRODUCE LANDFILL GAS IN A QUANTITY THAT MAY POSE A SAFETY HAZARD, THEN IT MAY BE ABLE TO PURSUE A VARIANCE FOR THAT STANDARD. THAT, HOWEVER, WOULD NOT EXCLUDE THEM FROM THE OVERALL REQUIREMENTS TO DEVELOP A CLOSURE PLAN BECAUSE WOOD WASTE LANDFILLS WILL, IN FACT, CLOSE LIKE ANY OTHER LANDFILLS THAT WE CURRENTLY REGULATE, AND THEY WILL ALSO HAVE TO COME UP WITH MONEY TO IMPLEMENT THOSE PLANS.

SO AT THIS POINT IN TIME, WE ARE WORKING IN
THE REGULATIONS ON VARIATIONS THAT WOULD ACCOUNT FOR THE
SPECIAL NATURE OF SOME OF THESE WASTESTREAMS AND FOR
OTHER SITE-SPECIFIC CONSIDERATIONS AS WELL, BUT WOULD NOT



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EXCLUDE THEM FROM THE OVERALL PROCESS OF SUBMITTING THE PLANS AND FINANCIAL ASSURANCES. THAT IS BEING PURSUED BY THE WOOD WASTE INDUSTRY THROUGH LEGISLATION, HOWEVER.

> CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU. MR. MOSCONE.

BOARD MEMBER MOSCONE: I AGREE WITH YOUR COMMENTS, BILL, BECAUSE I RECALL THAT SOME YEARS AGO WE DID HAVE SOME PROBLEM WITH SOME OF THESE WOOD WASTE SITES. I DON'T RECALL WHETHER IT WAS WATER OR WHETHER IT WAS THE LEACHATE PROBLEM OR WHATEVER. BUT I KNOW THAT WE DID HAVE SOME PROBLEMS WITH SOME OF THESE SITES. MAYBE IT WAS THE WAY THAT THEY WERE -- THEY WERE OPERATING. DON'T RECALL. BUT I THINK IT SHOULD BE LOOKED INTO. IF VARIANCES ARE NEEDED, IF CERTAIN -- IF THEIR OPERATION PROCEDURES SHOULD BE CHANGED OR WHATEVER, BUT I THINK THAT WE SHOULD NOT LET GO.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: ONE QUESTION, BILL, WHILE YOU'VE BEEN INTERRUPTED. COULD I ASK DOES THE LEGISLATION THAT'S BEING CARRIED ON BEHALF OF WOOD WASTE. WOULD THAT INCLUDE SUCH THINGS AS THE SPECIAL LANDFILL FOR -- LIKE FOREST LAWN CEMETERIES AND THINGS LIKE THAT? IF I RECALL, WE HAD TO PERMIT THEM TO HAVE A LANDFILL.

MR. ORR: I DON'T BELIEVE THAT THAT CURRENT BILL WOULD INCLUDE THAT. I THINK IT SPECIFICALLY -- AT THIS POINT IT'S A SPECIFIC WOOD WASTE PROVISION. IT'S --BASICALLY. HOW IT'S HANDLED IS IT'S TACKED ONTO THE BACK



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1	END OF A DEFINITION OF A SOLID WASTE LANDFILL, AND IT
2	SAYS SOMETHING TO THE EFFECT THAT ANY LANDFILL THAT
3	EXCLUSIVELY ACCEPTS WOOD WASTE WOULD BE EXCLUDED FROM
4	THAT DEFINITION.
5	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU. ARE WE THROUGH
6	NOW?
7	MR. ORR: THAT CONCLUDES THIS MONTH'S REPORT,
8	AND WE'LL BE BRINGING BACK TO YOU THE SPECIFIC COMMENTS
9	AND RESPONSES AT NEXT MONTH'S MEETING.
10	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: WE'VE HAD A REQUEST FOR MR.
11	AL MORENO TO MAKE SOME COMMENTS WITH REFERENCE TO 1(B).
12	AL, ARE YOU READY?
13	MR. MORENO: READY AS 1'LL EVER BE.
14	MR. GALLAGHER, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I'VE
15	BEEN ASKED BY THE DISTRICT TO AGAIN REITERATE THEIR
16	CONCERNS WITH THE WHAT THEY FEEL IS DUPLICATION OF
17	REGULATIONS, AS PHIL BEAUTROW POINTED OUT.
18	IF I MAY, LET ME READ JUST THE FIRST
19	PARAGRAPH OF THEIR SUBMITTAL TO THE STAFF:
20	"THE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT OF
21	LOS ANGELES ARE PLEASED TO PROVIDE
22	ADDITIONAL COMMENTS ON THE SUBJECT
23	DRAFT REGULATIONS. THESE COMMENTS
24	SUPPLEMENT THE DISTRICT'S INITIAL
25	REVIEW, RESULTS OF WHICH WERE



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TRANSMITTED TO THE CALIFORNIA WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD ON FEBRUARY 28TH. " THIS IS DATED MARCH 31ST. "THE PURPOSE OF THE CURRENT DISCUSSIONS TO ADDRESS THE REGULATIONS -- THE REGULATORY RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CWMD WITH RESPECT TO GROUNDWATER AND AIR MONITORING, TO IDENTIFY DUPLICATION AND CONTRADICTIONS BETWEEN THE DRAFT CWMB REGS AND EXISTING REGULATIONS. INCLUDING CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER 15, AND TO DISCUSS THE SUPERIORTY OF PERFORMANCE STANDARDS OVER PRESCRIPTIVE STANDARDS FOR GROUNDWATER AND AIR MONITORING AND PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL REVIEW ON SPECIFIC SECTIONS OF THE REGULATIONS."

BILL HAS STATED THAT THERE'LL BE A LOT OF THINGS COMING OUT IN THE NEXT DRAFT AND PROBABLY AND HOPEFULLY WILL SATISFY THE DISTRICT, BUT THEY FEEL THAT THESE ARE MORE -- TYPE OF REGULATIONS THAT ARE PRESCRIPTIVE, YOU GOT TO DO THIS, THAT, AND THE OTHER THING, RATHER PERFORMANCE, YOU SHALL MEET THIS, THAT, AND



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THE OTHER THING.

THE SUM TOTAL OF THEIR REAL CONCERN IS THAT THEY HAVE SPENT, AS HAVE OTHERS, MILLIONS OF DOLLARS TO SATISFY THE -- THE SWAT TESTING FOR AIR AND WATER PROBLEMS. THEY'VE SPENT A LOT OF MONEY TO SATISFY THE SUBCHAPTER 15 REQUIREMENTS. AND THEY FEEL THAT THESE REGULATIONS THAT YOU HAVE BEFORE YOU DON'T RECOGNIZE THE FACT THAT A LOT OF THESE THINGS ARE DONE AND ARE BEING DONE.

AND ONE OF THE SUGGESTIONS WAS THAT PERHAPS
THE BOARD, IN DEVELOPING ITS REGULATIONS, CERTAINLY
SHOULD FILL ANY GAPS THAT EXIST IN SUBCHAPTER 15 OR IN
THE AIR BOARD REQUIREMENTS AND SHOULD DO SO VERY
STRONGLY. BUT IN THE OTHERS, THE SUGGESTION WAS MADE
THAT PERHAPS COULD THE BOARD CONSIDER THAT MAYBE A
CHECKLIST OF ALL THE THINGS WE'RE TALKING ABOUT,
MONITORING WELLS, WHETHER THEY'RE THERE OR NOT, HAVE A
CHECKLIST OF ALL THOSE THINGS, AND THEN HAVE A MEMORANDUM
OF UNDERSTANDING PERHAPS WITH THE AIR BOARD AND THE WATER
BOARD THAT, YOU KNOW, IF ALL THESE THINGS ARE MET, THAT
IF THEY'RE HAPPY WITH THE CLOSURE PROBLEMS AND THE PLANS
UNDER SUBCHAPTER 15, THAT THAT WOULD SATISFY THE BOARD'S
REQUIREMENTS.

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80, THE KILLEA BILL, THAT WOULD HAVE SEPARATED RECYCLING FROM THE BOARD AND HAVE IT UNDER DOC IS BECAUSE OF THE PROBLEM OF HAVING TWO DIFFERENT PLANS AND TWO DIFFERENT AGENCIES, ETC. UNFORTUNATELY, THE LAW ALREADY PROVIDES FOR THREE DIFFERENT AGENCIES FOR MORE IN THE WHOLE SOLID WASTE FIELD; BUT IN DEVELOPING REGULATIONS. WE ARE HOPEFUL THAT PERHAPS WE COULD DO IT WITH MEMORANDUMS OF UNDERSTANDING WITH OTHER AGENCIES RATHER THAN HAVE A WHOLE LIST OF SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS AGAIN.

I, FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH, IT'S A VERBAL CONVERSATION, BUT IN TALKING MS. EASTIN, SHE FELT THAT THAT WOULD BE A VERY LOGICAL APPROACH. WHETHER OR NOT IT'S PERMITTED UNDER THE LAW, I DON'T KNOW, BUT I THINK IN MS. EASTIN'S THINKING, ALL SHE'S INTERESTED IN IS THAT THIS THING IS DONE RIGHT AND THE MONEY IS THERE TO DO IT RIGHT.

THOSE ARE THE COMMENTS I HAVE UNLESS YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

BOARD MEMBER VARNER: AL, DO YOU KNOW THAT'S A RATHER BROAD STATEMENT, THAT THIS THING IS DONE RIGHT. YOU KNOW. AND JUST WHAT IN THE WORLD DOES THAT MEAN?

MR. MORENO: I MEAN THE WHOLE AREA OF SOLID WASTE IN CALIFORNIA IS PROPERLY SUPERVISED AND ADMINISTERED. THAT'S YOUR RESPONSIBILITY AS IT IS THE WATER BOARD'S AND THE AIR BOARD. ALL WE'RE SAYING, WE



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-i	JOIN YOU. WE WANT TO DO IT RIGHT, BUT LET'S TRY AND CUT
2	OUT AS MUCH OF THE PAPERWORK THAT WE CAN AND THE
3	DIFFERENCE IN APPROACHES AND THE DIFFERENCE IN
4	REQUIREMENTS; AND WHERE THERE IS A SATISFACTORY DOING
5	IT RIGHT UNDER ONE AGENCY, WHY NOT HAVE A MAU WITH THAT
6	AGENCY, THAT IF THEY'RE SATISFIED, THAT THE BOARD COULD
7	BE SATISFIED AND MAYBE HAVE A CHECKLIST OF THE SPECIFIC
8	THINGS THAT YOU ARE LOOKING FOR. SO THAT IF THEY DON'T
9	CHECK IT OFF, THAT'S AN AREA WHERE YOU WOULD JUMP ON THAT
10	COUNTY OR OPERATOR OR WHATEVER TO MAKE SURE THAT IT'S
11	DONE .
12	BOARD MEMBER VARNER: OKAY. GOOD.
13	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU. ANYTHING ELSE?
14	IF I UNDERSTOOD CORRECTLY, YOU INDICATED
15	THAT YOU WERE GOING TO TAKE THIS LETTER FROM THE SAN
16	DISTRICT INTO ACCOUNT, BREAK IT DOWN ITEM BY ITEM. SO
17	I'M SURE, AL, THAT IN THE FINAL ANALYSIS, THERE WILL BE A
18	FULL REVIEW OF WHAT'S BEEN REQUESTED.
19	THANK YOU, BILL. ANYTHING ELSE?
20	WE'D LIKE TO MOVE ON, IF WE CAN, TO ITEM
21	NO. 3.
22	GEORGE, YOU DID WANT TO GO TO THREE?
23	MR. EOWAN: WE DID HAVE A REQUEST, MR. CHAIRMAN,
24	FROM THE PRESENTERS IN PLACER COUNTY TO ACCOMMODATE THEM
25	FOR THIS ITEM TO BE HEARD THIS MORNING.



1	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: MOVE TO ITEM 3.
2	MR. EOWAN: THANK YOU. MR. OLDALL WILL PRESENT
3	IT.
4	MR. OLDALL: MR. CHAIRMAN, THIS IS THE
5	CONSIDERATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF THE PLACER COUNTY SOLID
6	WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN REVIEW REPORT. AND WHAT I'D LIKE
7	TO POINT OUT HERE IS THIS IS A PROCESS WHERE AT THIS
8	POINT IN TIME THE COUNTY HAS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH OUR
9	STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION, PROPOSED TO REVISE THE COSWMP.
10	OF COURSE, BOARD STAFF CONCURS IN THIS RECOMMENDATION.
11	ONE OF THE MAJOR KEY POINTS THAT WE'D LIKE
12	TO POINT OUT IS THAT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AB 1462
13	REQUIREMENT, THERE IS ADEQUATE DISPOSAL CAPACITY IN
14	EXCESS OF THE EIGHT YEARS.
15	THIS PARTICULAR ITEM DOES COMMENCE ON PAGE
16	87 OF YOUR BOARD PACKET FOR THOSE THAT ARE LEAFING
17	THROUGH IT AT THIS POINT IN TIME.
18	BASICALLY, THE AREAS IN NEED OF REVISION
19	ARE AS OUTLINED ON PAGE 88 OF YOUR BOARD PACKET. THAT
20	COVERS THE FULL SPECTRUM OF ITEMS HERE THAT ARE IN NEED
2 1	OF REVISION MAINLY BECAUSE OF THE CHANGES THAT HAVE
22	OCCURRED IN PLACER COUNTY, PRIMARILY THE RAPID GROWTH
23	THAT'S OCCURRING IN THAT AREA.
24	THE BOTH IDENTIFICATION OF THE SOLID
25	WASTE, THE COLLECTION SYSTEM, THE DISPOSAL AND THE



PROCESSING OF THE WASTES, TOGETHER WITH AN UPDATE IN
TERMS OF CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS
WILL BE INCLUDED NOW IN THE REVISION, RESOURCE RECOVERY
SECTION IS GOING TO BE CAREFULLY LOOKED AT AGAIN, AS
WOULD THE ECONOMIC FEASIBILITY DIRECTLY AS A RESULT OF
THE AB 2448 CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE FINANCIAL
REQUIREMENTS, IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE, ASBESTOS, SEPTAGE
AND SLUDGE, IDENTIFICATION OF THE PROGRAM FOR HOUSEHOLD
HAZARDOUS WASTE, WHICH THE COUNTY HAS IDENTIFIED A NEED
FOR. IF THEY DIDN'T IDENTIFY THAT NEED, THEY WOULDN'T
HAVE TO DO IT. THAT'S ONE OF OUR ISSUES WE CONTINUALLY
RUB UP AGAINST.

IN PLACER COUNTY'S CASE, THEY HAVE SEEN THE NEED TO IDENTIFY THE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE AREA. OF COURSE, THEY HAVE TO VERIFY THE AB 1462 REQUIREMENT FOR THE EIGHT YEARS, AND ALSO THE OTHER REQUIREMENT FOR THAT 20-PERCENT RECYCLING GOAL.

I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE CY ARMSTRONG OF
THE BOARD'S LOCAL PLANNING DIVISION, WHO WILL GIVE US A
LITTLE BIT OF BACKGROUND ON THE COUNTY ITSELF, DISCUSS
THE KINDS OF PROBLEMS THEY'VE HAD IN THE COUNTY, AND WHAT
THEY HOPE TO BE CORRECTING WITH THE NEW PLAN REVISION;
AND, AS I MENTIONED BEFORE, WE DO HAVE THE PEOPLE FROM
PLACER COUNTY HERE.

SO, CY, WOULD YOU CONTINUE?



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MR. ARMSTRONG: GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MY APOLOGIES. I DIDN'T REALIZE THE BOARD MEMBERS. AGENDA WAS BEING CHANGED LIKE THIS AGAIN. I APOLOGIZE FOR COMING IN LIKE THIS.

PLACER COUNTY IS OUR NEIGHBORING COUNTY TO THE EAST. IT'S A COUNTY OF ABOUT 146,000 PEOPLE. IT HAS SIX INCORPORATED CITIES, WITH AUBURN BEING THE PLACER THE COUNTY IS A VERY WELL ORGANIZED COUNTY. SEAT. THEY HAVE TWO MAIN LANDFILLS, THE EASTERN REGIONAL LANDFILL UP NEAR LAKE TAHOE THAT WAS RECENTLY EXPANDED AND WILL SUFFICE IN DISPOSAL LIMIT FOR MANY YEARS. THE COUNTY ALSO HAS A VERY LARGE LANDFILL NEAR THE TOWN OF LINCOLN. THIS ALSO HAS QUITE A LONG TIME SPAN LEFT FOR DISPOSAL. HOWEVER, THE COUNTY IN THEIR FORESIGHTEDNESS, IS IN THE PROCESS OF PURCHASING A LARGE RANCH NEXT TO THE SITE WHICH WILL ADD ABOUT ANOTHER 35 YEARS.

THE COUNTY FEELS IF THEY DON'T GET THIS SITE PRETTY QUICK, WITH ALL THE TERRIFIC GROWTH IN THAT AREA, THEY WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO GET IT. SO I THINK THE COUNTY IS VERY PRUDENT IN DOING THAT.

THE COUNTY HAS SUBMITTED THEIR PLAN REVIEW REPORT, INDICATING THAT THERE ARE -- HAVE BEEN SOME CHANGES SINCE THE LAST PLAN WAS APPROVED, AND THEY REALIZE THE NEED FOR REVISING THE PLAN. THE COUNTY HAS ACTUALLY ALREADY HIRED EXTRA STAFF AND IS PROCEEDING WITH



THE PLAN REVISION PROCESS EVEN BEFORE THE BOARD HEARS THIS ITEM.

THE CURRENT ISSUE ARE EXPANSION OF THE WESTERN REGIONAL LANDFILL BY SOME 470 ACRES, IMPLEMENTATION OF GAS REMOVAL RECOVERY SYSTEM AT THE WESTERN REGIONAL LANDFILL, IMPLEMENTATION OF A RECYCLING CENTER AT THE WESTERN REGIONAL LANDFILL, PROPER CLOSING OF A SMALL PRIVATE LANDFILL CALLED THE FINGERS LANDFILL, ACCEPTANCE OF ASBESTOS WASTE IS GOING TO BE CHANGED SO THIS CAN BE DONE WITHIN THE COUNTY, DEVELOPING A LONG-TERM DISPOSAL PROGRAM FOR SEPTAGE, AND THE HIRING OF A RECYCLING COORDINATOR TO ASSIST THE COUNTY IN IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECYCLING GOALS.

THERE HAVE BEEN SOME IMPROVEMENTS MADE TO
THE SYSTEM IN THE LAST FEW YEARS WHICH ARE WORTH
MENTIONING, WHICH IS EXPANSION, AS I MENTIONED, OF THE
EASTERN REGIONAL LANDFILL, INSTALLATION OF BACKUP
EQUIPMENT THERE, IMPLEMENTATION OF WATER QUALITY
MONITORING PROGRAMS, ACQUISITION OF NEW COMPACTION
EQUIPMENT, AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A LEACHATE SYSTEM AT THE
WESTERN REGIONAL LANDFILL.

IN SUMMARY, THE STAFF BELIEVES THAT THE
REPORT THAT THE COUNTY HAS SUBMITTED IS ADEQUATE AND
ACCURATELY DESCRIBES THE OUTDATED AREAS IN THE PLAN.
THEREFORE, STAFF BELIEVES THAT THE BOARD SHOULD APPROVE



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THE PLAN REPORT AS SUBMITTED, REQUIRE THE COUNTY TO REVISE THE PLAN IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS, WHICH WOULD BE IDENTIFICATION OF SOLID WASTE COLLECTION SYSTEM, DISPOSAL AND PROCESSING, RESOURCE RECOVERY, ECONOMIC FEASIBILITY, IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE, AN ASBESTOS DISPOSAL PROGRAM, A SEWAGE AND SLUDGE DISPOSAL PROGRAM, IDENTIFICATION OF A HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE PROGRAM, AND VERIFICATION OF AT LEAST EIGHT YEARS OF REMAINING CAPACITY AS WELL AS IDENTIFICATION OF A 20-PERCENT RECYCLING GOAL FOR THE COUNTY.

THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION. IF THE BOARD MEMBERS HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OF ME.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: ANY QUESTIONS OF MR. ARMSTRONG? MR. MOSCONE.

BOARD MEMBER MOSCONE: I THINK THE INFORMATION
IS IN HERE. DO YOU SEE ANY PROBLEM WITH THE FINGERS
CLOSURE?

MR. ARMSTRONG: THE FINGERS LANDFILL CLOSURE,
FOR THE EDIFICATION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS, IS A SMALL
PRIVATE LANDFILL AND TRANSFER STATION NEAR ROSEVILLE THAT
THE BOARD, THE LEA, AND THE COUNTY HAS HAD SOME PROBLEMS
WITH GETTING THE LANDFILL PROPERLY CLOSED. THAT MATTER
HAS BEEN NOW REFERRED TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR HIS
ACTION. AS FAR AS ANY FURTHER ACTION ON THAT, I WOULD
HAVE TO DEFER TO MR. IWAHIRO, WHO HEADS UP THE



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MR. IWAHIRO: WITH REGARD TO THE LANDFILL, THEY ARE SUPPOSED TO BE CLOSING IT UP, AND SO WE HAVE AN ACTION THAT'S PENDING BEFORE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE. IN FACT, WE'LL BE MEETING -- WE MET WITH THEM, AND THEY ARE GOING TO PROCEED. THERE'S BEEN -- I REALLY SHOULD NOT TALK ABOUT THAT MUCH MORE THAN THAT BECAUSE OF THE FACT UNDER A FILING OF A SUIT. I BELIEVE THAT WE HAVE A CLOSED SESSION. I BELIEVE THE COUNSEL WOULD BE WILLING TO GO INTO THAT MUCH MORE DETAIL.

AS FAR AS THE TRANSFER STATION, IT IS

OPERATING. IT'S IN, I THINK, BASICALLY IN COMPLIANCE AND

THEY'RE DOING VERY GOOD BUSINESS AS I UNDERSTAND.

BOARD MEMBER MOSCONE: THANK YOU.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU. ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS OF MR. ARMSTRONG?

MR. ARMSTRONG: IF THE BOARD HAS NO FURTHER

QUESTIONS WITH ME, WE HAVE SEVERAL PEOPLE FROM PLACER

COUNTY IN THE AUDIENCE THIS MORNING, INCLUDING MR. LARRY

OTTO, DEPUTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR, WHO

WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A BRIEF PRESENTATION.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING.
WILL YOU IDENTIFY YOURSELF FOR THE RECORD, PLEASE.

MR. OTTO: MY NAME IS LARRY OTTO. I'M THE



DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF PLACER COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS. I

APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK BEFORE YOUR BOARD
THIS MORNING.

I BELIEVE MR. ARMSTRONG HAS PRETTY MUCH
CAPPED THE COUNTY'S POSITION ON ITS PRESENT SOLID WASTE
MANAGEMENT PLAN. WE'VE TRIED TO REVIEW OUR PLAN, THE
EXISTING PLAN, AND PUT IN PLACE A PROPOSED PLAN IN WHICH
WE WOULD ADDRESS OUR UPDATED COSWMP.

I WON'T GO OVER THE ELEMENTS THAT MR.

ARMSTRONG HAS ALREADY DISCUSSED AS FAR AS LOCATION OF OUR LANDFILLS AND WHAT HAVE YOU. I DO WANT TO ADDRESS THE FACT THAT OUR BOARD IS VERY CONCERNED ABOUT LANDFILL CAPACITY AND, AS SUCH, HAS DIRECTED STAFF TO ACQUIRE AN ADDITIONAL 470 ACRES FOR THE WESTERN REGIONAL SITE.

I THINK BY OBSERVATION OF THE LENGTH OF THE LIFE LEFT IN THE LANDFILLS, THE BOARD CAN SEE THAT THE COUNTY IS TRYING TO TAKE A POSITION TO ASSURE THAT THERE WILL BE ADEQUATE LANDFILL CAPACITY. THIS CAPACITY IS PRESENTLY BASED ON EXISTING WASTESTREAM, AND WE RECOGNIZE THAT THE LANDFILL CAPACITY CAN BE INCREASED BY, OF COURSE, A COMPREHENSIVE RECYCLING PROGRAM. THIS IS ONE OF OUR MAIN GOALS FOR THE UPCOMING YEAR.

WE'VE PRESENTLY AN RFP OUT ON THE STREETS,
AND WE HOPE TO RECEIVE A RATHER COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM AS
TO HOW WE CAN DO WASTESTREAM DIVERSION TO NOT ONLY



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MINIMIZE THE WASTE GOING INTO THE LANDFILL, BUT ALSO CONSERVE NATURAL RESOURCES.

I WANT TO SPEND A MOMENT ON WHAT WE ARE DOING AS FAR AS THE PLAN IS CONCERNED. ALTHOUGH THE BOARD HAS NOT APPROVED THE PROPOSED PLAN, WE FELT THAT IN ORDER TO ASSURE THAT WE MEET THE TIME CONSTRAINTS AND DO AN ADEQUATE JOB, IT WOULD BEHOOVE US TO START WELL IN ADVANCE OF THE PROPOSED PLAN ACCEPTANCE. SO IN JANUARY WE SECURED THE SERVICES OF AN INDEPENDENT INDIVIDUAL. MISS BECKY SIRENS, WHO WILL BE DOING THE PLAN UPDATE. THIS IS HER MAIN JOB. SHE WILL BE SPENDING ALL OF HER TIME ON THIS PARTICULAR PROGRAM. SHE'S IN THE PROCESS OF GATHERING DATA NOW, WHICH WE FIND IS ONE OF OUR BIGGEST PROBLEMS. THE INFORMATION IS OUT THERE; IT'S TRYING TO EXTRACT IT FROM PEOPLE IN ORDER TO INTEGRATE IT INTO OUR PLAN.

WE BUDGETED APPROXIMATELY \$25,000 FOR THIS. IT SEEMS IN THE PAST WE DID NOT TRACK THE COST. THIS MAY BE HIGH OR MAY BE LOW. IF ADDITIONAL RESOURCES ARE REQUIRED, WE'RE FULLY PREPARED TO PUT WHATEVER RESOURCES ARE REQUIRED TO PREPARE AN ADEQUATE PLAN.

WE HAVE A TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE THAT'S BEEN ESTABLISHED BY MY DEPARTMENT THAT ADDRESSES ALL THE CITIES THAT ARE IN THE COUNTY. IT ALSO HAS PLANNING COMMISSION STAFF MEMBERS: AND SO, HOPEFULLY, THE



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1	TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE CAN PROVIDE THE DIRECTION
2	AND THE REVIEW AND SUPPORT THAT'S NECESSARY FOR A PROPER
3	UPDATE OF THE COSWMP. IT ALSO HAS SOME OF THE
4	INDEPENDENT FRANCHISE OPERATORS IN THE COUNTY IN ORDER TO
5	COVER THOSE ELEMENTS OF THE WASTE ISSUE.
6	AND WE TRY AND MEET WITH THESE PEOPLE, BOTH
7	THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND THE AUTHORS OR THE
8	WRITER OF THE DOCUMENT, ON A WEEKLY OR MONTHLY BASIS TO
9	ASSURE THAT THE PLAN IS MOVING ALONG IN THE PROPER
0	DIRECTION.
1	WE'VE BEEN IN CONSTANT CONTACT WITH MR.
2	ARMSTRONG, AND HE'S BEEN PROVIDING US DIRECTION WHENEVER
3	WE RUN INTO ISSUES OF PROTOCOL.
4	IF THERE'S ANY QUESTIONS I CAN ANSWER FOR
15	YOUR BOARD AT THIS TIME, I'LL BE BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO
6	TRY IT. I ALSO HAVE A STAFF MEMBER HERE, MR. BABBITTS,
17	WHO'S A SENIOR ENGINEER, WHO WILL BE AIDING IN
18	DEVELOPMENT OF THIS PLAN.
19	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU, MR. OTTO. ANY
20	QUESTIONS? YES. MR. MOSCONE.
2 1	BOARD MEMBER MOSCONE: ARE YOU STILL USING THE
22	AUBURN LANDFILL?
23	MR. OTTO: NO. THE AUBURN LANDFILL IS
24	INACTIVATED. WE HAVE AN AUBURN TRANSFER STATION, WHICH
25	TRANSFERS THE WASTE TO THE WESTERN REGIONAL SITE.



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CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU. .1 ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS? THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR COMING. 2 ANY QUESTIONS FURTHER ON THIS? CAN I HAVE A MOTION? 3 4 BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: MR. CHAIRMAN, MOVE 5 RESOLUTION 89-34. 6 **BOARD MEMBER VARNER:** SECOND. BOARD MEMBER BROWN: SECOND. 8 BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: SECOND. 9 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: WE HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND THAT WE ADOPT STAFF RECOMMENDATION AND RESOLUTION 10 11 ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION? IF NOT, ALL THOSE IN 89-34. 12 OPPOSED? CARRIED AND SO ORDERED. THANK YOU, MR. FAVOR? ARMSTRONG, AND THANK YOU, MR. OTTO, FOR COMING. 13 14 BECAUSE OF THE TIMING, WE'D LIKE TO BREAK 15 FOR LUNCH AT AROUND 12:30. WE'D LIKE TO HEAR ITEM NO. 5, 16 IF WE CAN, RATHER THAN NO. 2. 17 MR. EOWAN: WE'RE READY. GIVE US A NUMBER AND 18 WE RESPOND IMMEDIATELY. 19 MR. OLDALL: MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, AT YOUR DIRECTION, WE WILL MOVE TO AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 20 21 STARTING ON PAGE 138 OF YOUR BOARD PACKET. THIS IS THE 22 REGULAR MONTHLY ITEM ENTITLED "STATUS OF COUNTY SOLID 23 WASTE MANAGEMENT PLANS." AS USUAL, GEORGE LARSON, THE 24 MANAGER OF THE PLANNING AND RESOURCE CONSERVATION 25 DIVISION, WILL UPDATE THE BOARD.



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MR. LARSON: GOOD MORNING, BOARD MEMBERS. WHILE WE DEAL WITH TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES, I'LL GO ON WITH THE NARRATIVE PRESENTATION ON OUR STATUS OF THE COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLANS IN CALIFORNIA.

ON PAGE 140 YOU WILL SEE THE KEY ITEMS SOON
TO BE PRESENTED ON OUR SLIDE TO INDICATE THAT 52 COUNTY
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLANS ARE CURRENT AND COMPLETE AS
OF RIGHT NOW. AS THE BOARD RECALLS, THE SUTTER-YUBA
COSWMP REVISION WAS REJECTED IN JANUARY AND WAS GIVEN 120
DAYS. THE COUNTY WAS GIVEN 120 DAYS TO RESUBMIT. THAT
120-DAY PERIOD WILL BE UP MAY 27TH, AND WE ANTICIPATE
THAT THE PLAN WILL BE SUBMITTED IN A TIMELY MANNER.

FOUR COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLANS

ARE DELINQUENT TODAY. AND TO UPDATE INFORMATION

PRESENTED ON THE SLIDE, THE DEL NORTE AND SAN MATEO

COSWMPS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY THE BOARD AND ARE CURRENTLY

UNDER REVIEW BY STAFF.

THE ORANGE COUNTY COSWMP REVISION WILL BE CONSIDERED BY THE ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON THE 26TH OF APRIL AND CIRCULATED TO THE CITIES IN THAT COUNTY. THE COUNTY WILL MAKE ALL EFFORTS TO HAVE AN EXPEDITED REVIEW IN ORDER TO GET THAT IN AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE.

BRIEFLY TOUCHING ON THE CONTRA COSTA ISSUE,

IT WILL BE A SUBJECT OF A SEPARATE AGENDA ITEM TOMORROW



1	MORNING AT 9 A.M. SO TODAY WE ONLY PROVIDE INFORMATION
2	THAT THE COURT ORDER AGREED TO BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
3	AND THE COUNTY REQUIRED SUBMITTAL OF THE COSWMP BY
4	DECEMBER 1ST OF 1989.
5	AS REQUESTED IN PREVIOUS BOARD MEETINGS, WE
6	ARE NOW USING A TECHNIQUE OF HIGHLIGHTING ANY ADDITIONAL
7	CHANGES WHICH YOU WILL BE ABLE TO QUICKLY SCAN OVER THE
8	PAGE 138 AND ENSUING PAGES ON THE COSWMP ITEM TO SEE ANY
9	NEW CHANGES IN THE STATUS OF ALL THE COUNTIES.
10	WITH THAT, THAT'S THE UPDATE, AND I'D BE
1 1	GLAD TO RESPOND TO ANY QUESTIONS THAT THE BOARD MAY POSE.
12	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU, MR. LARSON. ANY
13	QUESTIONS? IT'S AN INFORMATION ITEM ONLY. WE APPRECIATE
14	THE VERY CONCISE AND COMPLETE REPORT. AND THANK YOU AND
15	WE WILL TRY TO MOVE ON.
16	MS. BREMBERG.
17	BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: EXCUSE ME. WHAT DO YOU
18	HEAR FROM LOS ANGELES COUNTY?
19	MR. LARSON: I WILL TURN THE QUESTION OVER TO
20	MR. JOHN SMITH, WHO WILL BE GOING DOWN TO LOS ANGELES
21	COUNTY TO WORK WITH THAT COUNTY.
22	BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: BECAUSE IT IS NOW APRIL
23	AND IT'S DUE IN MARCH.
24	MR. SMITH: I WILL BE DOING I'LL BE GOING ON
25	A TRIP TO LOS ANGELES NEXT WEEK TO TALK TO THE VARIOUS
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1	PEOPLE INVOLVED IN SOLID WASTE SO I CAN BETTER EVALUATE
2	THE PLAN REVIEW REPORT THAT THEY SUBMITTED. AND THEN
3	WE'LL SCHEDULE THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE PLAN REVIEW REPORT
4	IN THE JUNE MEETING.
5	BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: WHICH MEETING?
6	MR. SMITH: THE JUNE MEETING. INITIALLY, THE
7	COUNTY HAS COMMITTED TO A NUMBER OF REVISIONS TO THAT
8	PLAN AND THEY'RE PRETTY COMPLETE.
9	BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: THAT'S WHY I WAS ASKING.
10	MR. EOWAN: THE PROCESS IS UP-TO-DATE SO FAR.
11 1	BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: THE PROCESS IS, BUT
12	THERE'S ALL KINDS OF
13	MR. SMITH: IT'S ALSO A VERY COMPLICATED COUNTY.
14	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU AGAIN. ARE WE
15	PREPARED OR IS THE GENTLEMAN LISTED FROM VENTURA
16	COUNTY COULD WE MOVE TO ITEM 6 IN DEFERENCE TO HIM SO
17	THAT BEFORE LUNCH HE COULD THANK YOU. WE'LL HEAR ITEM
18	NO. 6 THEN.
19	MR. IWAHIRO: MR. CHAIRMAN, THIS IS A
20	DETERMINATION OF CONFORMANCE TO THE COUNTY PLAN AND
2 1	CONCURRENCE WITH REGARD TO A REVISED OR REVISION OF A
22	SOLID WASTE FACILITIES PERMIT FOR A WASTE PROCESSING
23	FACILITY. WHEN THE STAFF PRESENTS THIS, YOU WILL NOTE
24	THAT WE ARE PROCESSING DRILLING MUD WASTE AS WELL AS
25	CONTEMPLATING THE TREATMENT OF SEWAGE SLUDGE.



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I'LL TURN IT OVER TO OUR STAFF, DON DIER
AND MARTHA VASQUEZ. SORRY. BERNIE IS OVER THERE, BERNIE
VLACH.

MS. VASQUEZ: GOOD AFTERNOON. THIS ITEM REGARDS
A REVISION OF THE SOLID WASTE FACILITIES PERMIT FOR THE
VENVIROTEK/CHEMFIX FACILITY. THIS IS AN EXISTING
FACILITY LOCATED IN VENTURA COUNTY.

THE BOARD MUST CONSIDER DETERMINATION OF CONFORMANCE WITH THE COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN AND CONCURRENCE IN THE ISSUANCE OF A REVISED SOLID WASTE FACILITIES PERMIT.

WENVIROTEK/CHEMFIX IS PROPOSING TO INCLUDE MUNICIPAL SEWAGE SLUDGE AS A WASTE COMPONENT IN THE CHEMFIX PROCESS. CHEMFIX IS A SOLIDIFICATION AND CHEMICAL FIXATION PROCESSING OF NONHAZARDOUS WASTE, WHICH YIELDS SOIL-LIKE SOLID MATERIAL. THE PROCESS INVOLVES MIXING SODIUM SILICATE AND A DRY REAGENT, SUCH AS PORTLAND CEMENT, WITH LIQUID AND SOLID WASTE. THE END PRODUCT IS ALLOWED TO SOLIDIFY AND DEHYDRATE TO A MOISTURE CONTENT OF APPROXIMATELY 50 PERCENT.

THE CHEMFIX SLUDGE END PRODUCT IS KNOWN AS NATURITE. IT IS INTENDED FOR USE AS COVER MATERIAL AT THE BAILARD LANDFILL. THIS FACILITY IS LOCATED ON A SIX-ACRE COMPOUND WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE BAILARD LANDFILL. ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT REQUIRED TO ACCOMMODATE



THE SLUDGE CONSISTS OF UNLOADING HOPPERS AND CONVEYOR 1 BELTS FOR MATERIAL HANDLING AND TRANSPORT. 2 THE FACILITIES USE PERMIT PROHIBITS 3 ACCEPTANCE OF MUNICIPAL SEWAGE SLUDGE FROM JURISDICTIONS 4 OUT OF THE BOUNDARIES OF THE VENTURA COUNTY. 5 6 THE FACILITY IS CURRENTLY PERMITTED TO PROCESS NONHAZARDOUS WATER-BASED DRILLING MUDS. 7 THE PERMIT WAS ISSUED IN DECEMBER 1987. 8 THE CHEMFIX DRILLING MUD PRODUCT HAS BEEN 9 UTILIZED AS COVER MATERIAL AT COASTAL AND BAILARD 10 11 LANDFILLS. THIS FACILITY'S USE PERMIT EXPIRES UPON 12 CLOSURE OF THE BAILARD LANDFILL. THERE HAVE BEEN TWO CHANGES MADE IN THE 13 PROPOSED PERMIT THAT WAS INCLUDED IN THE AGENDA PACKET. 14 I WOULD LIKE TO READ THE CHANGES FOR THE RECORD. 15 16 THE SPECIFICATIONS SECTION, NOW READS: THIS FACILITY HAS 17 A PERMITTED PEAK CAPACITY OF 400,000 GALLON EQUIVALENTS OF WASTE RECEIVED PER OPERATING DAY AND 200,000 GALLON 18 19 EQUIVALENTS OF WASTE PROCESS PER OPERATING DAY. THIS FACILITY SHALL NOT RECEIVE OR PROCESS 20 MORE THAN THESE AMOUNTS OF WASTE WITHOUT REVISION OF THE 21 22 SOLID WASTE FACILITIES PERMIT. THIS FACILITY SHALL NOT 23 PROCESS MORE THAN SIX MILLION EQUIVALENTS OF WASTE PER 24 MONTH. 25 THE FACTOR USED TO CONVERT WASTE SOLIDS TO



1	EQUIVALENT GALLONS IS ONE TON EQUALS 200 GALLONS.
2	ITEM V HAS BEEN ADDED TO THE SPECIFICATIONS
3	SECTION OF THE PERMIT, AND IT READS: THIS FACILITY SHALL
4	NOT RECEIVE MORE THAN 3,000 TONS OF MUNICIPAL SEWAGE
5	SLUDGE PER MONTH.
6	MR. AULT WILL NOW ADDRESS ENVIRONMENTAL
7	REVIEW AND CONFORMANCE FINDINGS.
8	BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: WILL YOU SEE THAT WE GET
9	COPIES OF THAT REVISED PAGE, PLEASE?
10	MS. VASQUEZ: YES.
11	MR. AULT: GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. CHAIRMAN AND
12	BOARD MEMBERS.
13	THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT
14	REQUIRES THAT THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF ANY PROJECT BE
15	CONSIDERED BY ANY PUBLIC AGENCY WITH DISCRETIONARY
16	AUTHORITY OVER THE PROJECT. BOTH THE DETERMINATION OF
17	CONFORMANCE AND CONCURRENCE IN THE ISSUANCE OF THE SOLID
18	WASTE FACILITIES PERMIT ARE CONSIDERED DISCRETIONARY ACTS
19	UNDER CEQA; THEREFORE, THE THE BOARD MUST REVIEW THE
20	POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF THE PROJECT.
21	VENTURA COUNTY PREPARED AN INITIAL STUDY
22	FOR THIS PROJECT IN COMPLIANCE WITH CEQA AND CONCLUDED
23	THE PROJECT COULD NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE
24	ENVIRONMENT. THE VENTURA COUNTY PLANNING AGENCY THEN
25	CERTIFIED A NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE PROJECT, WHICH



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1 WAS FILED WITH THE STATE CLEARINGHOUSE. 2 STAFF HAS REVIEWED THE PROJECT AND FOUND THE ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT TO BE APPROPRIATE AND ADEQUATE 3 FOR BOARD USE IN EVALUATING THE PROJECT. 4 5 WITH REGARD TO THE DETERMINATION OF 6 CONFORMANCE, THE GOVERNMENT CODE REQUIRES THE BOARD TO 7 MAKE A DETERMINATION OF CONFORMANCE WITH THE COUNTY SOLID 8 WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN PRIOR TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OR 9 EXPANSION OF ANY SOLID WASTE FACILITY. 10 IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROCEDURES, THE PROJECT 11 PROPONENT HAS FILED A NOTICE OF PROPOSED FACILITY WITH OUR BOARD AND WITH THE VENTURA COUNTY WASTE MANAGEMENT 12 13 DEPARTMENT, THE AGENCY IN CHARGE OF MAINTAINING THE 14 COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN. 15 THE VENTURA COUNTY WASTE MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT FOUND THE PROPOSED FACILITY EXPANSION TO BE IN 16 17 CONFORMANCE WITH THE CURRENT COUNTY SOLID WASTE 18 MANAGEMENT PLAN. 19 BOARD STAFF FINDS THAT ALL THE LOCAL 20 ACTIONS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED, AND IT IS APPROPRIATE FOR 21 THE BOARD TO CONSIDER THE REQUEST FOR THE DETERMINATION 22 OF CONFORMANCE FOR THE SUBJECT FACILITY. 23 STAFF HAS REVIEWED THE COUNTY SOLID WASTE 24 MANAGEMENT PLAN AND THE NOTICE OF PROPOSED FACILITY AND 25 FINDS THAT THE PROJECT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE STATE



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1	POLICY ON SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT, CONSISTENT WITH THE
2	POLICIES AND OBJECTIVES OF THE VENTURA COUNTY SOLID WASTE
3	MANAGEMENT PLAN, CONSISTENT WITH THE SHORT, MEDIUM, AND
4	LONG-TERM FACILITIES ELEMENT OF THE COUNTY SOLID WASTE
5	MANAGEMENT PLAN BY PROVIDING A
6	SOLIDIFICATION/STABLIZATION FACILITY AS PROPOSED IN THE
7	CURRENT COSWMP, AND, FINALLY, THE PROJECT HAS OBTAINED
8	ALL LOCAL APPROVALS.
9	IN CONCLUSION, THE PROPOSED PROJECT MEETS
10	ALL THE FOUR BOARD ESTABLISHED CRITERIA FOR A
11	DETERMINATION OF CONFORMANCE.
12	THIS CONCLUDES MY PORTION OF THE
13	PRESENTATION. MS. MARTHA VASQUEZ WILL NOW DISCUSS THE
14	SECOND ACTION UNDER CONSIDERATION TODAY.
15	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU.
16	MS. VASQUEZ: IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PERMITTING
17	REQUIREMENTS OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE, THE OPERATOR OF THE
18	FACILITY HAS SUBMITTED ALL APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTS, AND THE
19	LEA HAS MADE REQUIRED FINDINGS. THESE FINDINGS ARE THAT,
20	NO. 1, THE PROPOSED PERMIT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE VENTURA
21	COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN; TWO, THE PROPOSED
22	PERMIT HAS BEEN DETERMINED TO BE CONSISTENT WITH BOARD
23	STANDARDS; AND, THREE, THAT THIS FACILITY IS DESIGNATED
24	IN THE GENERAL PLAN OF THE COUNTY OF VENTURA.
25	AFTER SEVERAL RECENT CONVERSATIONS WITH THE



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LEA, IT WAS LEARNED THAT IT WAS THE INTENT OF THE LEA TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF NATURITE AS COVER MATERIAL THROUGH THE ISSUANCE OF THIS PERMIT.

STAFF HAS A CONCERN IF THIS IS IN FACT THE INTENT OF THE LEA. STAFF HAVE REVIEWED THE PROPOSED PERMIT AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION AND FIND THE PERMIT ONLY AUTHORIZES THIS FACILITY TO PROCESS NONHAZARDOUS DRILLING MUDS AND SEWAGE SLUDGE INTENDED FOR USE AS LANDFILL COVER MATERIAL.

STAFF RECOMMENDS THE BOARD CONCUR IN THE ISSUANCE OF A PERMIT WASTE PROCESSING FACILITY, PROVIDED THE LEA AFFIRM ITS INTENT CONCERNING THE AUTHORIZED USE OF THE NATURITE PRODUCT.

CONCURRENCE OF THIS PERMIT DOES NOT
AUTHORIZE THE USE OF CHEMFIX OR NATURITE AS COVER
MATERIALS AT ANY PARTICULAR LANDFILL, NOR DOES IT AFFIRM
THE SUITABILITY OF THIS PRODUCT AS A COVER MATERIAL.
THESE TYPE OF ISSUES SHOULD BE ADDRESSED AT THE FACILITY
FOR WHICH THE MATERIAL IS INTENDED TO BE USED.

THIS CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION.

BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: EXCUSE ME.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: YES, MR. BEAUTROW.

BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: THAT DOESN'T -- IT'S

LIKE WE'RE GIVETH; WE TAKETH AWAY OR SOMETHING. WE WOULD

BE APPROVING A PERMIT TO MANUFACTURE THIS STUFF, BUT



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WE'RE SAYING, "THAT'S GREAT. WE'LL ALLOW YOU TO DO THAT;
BUT AS FAR AS WHATEVER YOU DO WITH IT, THAT'S ANOTHER
ISSUE." HOW IS THAT NOT RELATED? IT'S RIGHT ON THE -WE ALL VISITED THE SITE. IT'S RIGHT ON THE SAME SITE.
WHY ARE WE NOT RECOGNIZING THE UTILIZATION OF THIS? WHY
IS THAT? I DON'T --

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: I SEE A LOT OF FINGERS
GOING THIS WAY. THERE'S GOT TO BE SOMEBODY OUT THERE
THAT CAN ANSWER THIS. MR. CONHEIM.

ATTORNEY CONHEIM: MR. BEAUTROW, MEMBERS, THIS

IS A DISCRETE -- A SEPARATE PERMIT FOR THIS PARTICULAR

PROCESSING FACILITY. THE TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND FINDINGS

IN IT CANNOT BIND ANY OTHER LANDFILL. AND THIS IS, BY

ITS TERMS, ONLY A PERMIT FOR THIS PARTICULAR FACILITY.

TO THE EXTENT THAT THE LANDFILL IS SEPARATELY PERMITTED,

ISSUES REGARDING STANDARDS COMPLIANCE, USE OF COVER, ETC.

HAVE TO BE DEALT WITH IN THE CONTEXT OF THAT PERMIT.

CHOICE WAS MADE BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO
PERMIT THESE THINGS SEPARATELY, ONE THAT WE CONCURRED IN
BECAUSE THEY PERFORMED TWO DIFFERENT FUNCTIONS. AND ALL
WE'RE SAYING TODAY IS THAT WHILE WE RECOGNIZE -- OF
COURSE, WE RECOGNIZE THAT THE OPERATIONS ARE LINKED, BUT
WE'RE SIMPLY SAYING THAT AS A MATTER OF LAW THE TERMS AND
CONDITIONS OF THIS PERMIT DO NOT GOVERN THE OPERATION OF
THE LANDFILL, PERIOD. IT'S THAT SIMPLE.



AND ANY ATTEMPT TO DO SO WOULD BE INVALID

JUST IN THE PERMIT ITSELF. WHAT WE TRIED TO DO IN

BRINGING THE PERMIT TO YOU TODAY WAS TO FIND A WAY TO

APPROVE THIS PERMIT, BUT TO PUT ON THE RECORD THAT AS A

MATTER OF LAW IT'S NOT ARGUABLE.

THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS HAVE TO BIND THIS
PARTICULAR FACILITY, AND WE TRIED NOT TO HAVE TO MAKE A
FINDING AND RECOMMENDATION THAT THIS PERMIT SHOULD BE
REJECTED. SO WHAT WE'RE SAYING IS WE THINK THIS IS
APPROPRIATE PERMIT. IT MEETS ALL THE CONDITIONS EXCEPT
SOME STUFF IS IN HERE THAT IS NONOPERATIVE.

BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: EXCUSE ME. ISN'T THE
BAILARD SITE -- I MEAN, THEY'VE SWITCHED OVER TO THE NEW
SITE NOW FROM THE COASTAL SITE, AND BAILARD SITE IS
OPERABLE. ARE THEY USING THIS MATERIAL TODAY ON THE
BAILARD SITE? AND IS THAT PERMIT -- IN OTHER WORDS, I
THOUGHT THEY HAD BEEN USING THIS FOR SEVERAL YEARS, AND I
THOUGHT IT -- MAYBE WHAT I'M SAYING IS A MOOT POINT OR
SOMETHING. COULD YOU EXPLAIN?

MR. VLACH: MR. BEAUTROW, I DON'T BELIEVE THAT

THE MATERIAL THAT'S BEING PRESENTED TO THE BOARD TODAY TO

BE PROCESSED IS BEING USED TODAY AT THE BAILARD LANDFILL

NOW. THERE'S ANOTHER MATERIAL --

BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: THE OIL FIELD-TYPE OF WASTE, DRILLING MUD?



1 MR. VLACH: YES, SIR. THAT'S CORRECT. 2 SO WHAT YOU ARE SAYING **BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW:** 3 IS THAT THEY HAVE TO BRING THE BAILARD FACILITY PERMIT BACK TO US AND AMEND THAT TO ALLOW THIS? ISN'T THAT --5 MR. VLACH: NOT NECESSARILY. BUT THE ISSUE AS TO SUITABILITY AND ITS USE THERE NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED. 6 WE FEEL IT'S A SEPARATE ISSUE FROM THIS PERMIT. 7 BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: 8 YEAH. WE'RE LIKE IT'S A 9 HALF A LOAF HERE. I MEAN, WE'RE TECHNICALLY APPROVING 10 THE FACILITY TO PRODUCE THIS STUFF, BUT WE'RE NOT PERMITTING IT TO BE USED. 11 12 MR. VLACH: THAT'S BECAUSE THE PROCESS ITSELF IS 13 A FAIRLY SUBSTANTIAL PROCESS, AND IT IS, IN FACT, A SOLID WASTE FACILITY AND NEEDS THE BOARD'S CONCURRENCE TO DO 14 15 THAT. 16 BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: SO DO THEY HAVE -- THEN HAVE TO BRING BACK -- IS WHAT YOU ARE SAYING BRING BACK 17 18 THE BAILARD FACILITY PERMIT AND AMEND THAT TO INCLUDE 19 THIS AS THE SEPARATE DOCUMENT THAT TIES IT TOGETHER? HOW 20 DOES IT WORK? 21 MR. VLACH: THAT'S A POSSIBILITY. BUT THE BOARD 22 IN THE PAST HAS NOT REQUIRED THE SEPARATE PERMIT REVISION 23 IN ORDER TO DEMONSTRATE THE SUITABILITY OF A COVER 24 MATERIAL. FOR EXAMPLE, AT THE WEST CONTRA COSTA 25 LANDFILL, THE NEED REVISE THAT PERMIT WAS NOT NECESSARY.



1 BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: YEAH, BECAUSE WE GRANTED 2 THEM A SPECIAL WAIVER --3 MR. VLACH: THAT'S RIGHT. BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: -- OF COVER MATERIALS. 4 5 SEE, YOU ARE NOT ANSWERING MY QUESTION. 6 YOU ARE NOT OFFERING THE SOLUTION TO IT. WE'RE APPROVING 7 HALF OF IT. WHAT DO YOU SUGGEST THAT THEY DO TO FINISH 8 IT OUT? ATTORNEY CONHEIM: MR. BEAUTROW, I THINK WE HAVE 9 SUGGESTED IT TO YOU AND BEEN VERY CLEAR ABOUT IT. 10 WHAT THEY HAVE TO DO IS ADDRESS, AS THEY WOULD IN ANY CASE 11 12 WHERE THEY WERE CHANGING THE COVER THAT THEY WERE USING, THE SUITABILITY OF THAT COVER WITH REGARD TO THE 13 OPERATION OF THAT LANDFILL. 14 15 THAT MAY OR MAY NOT REQUIRE A PERMIT IT DOESN'T USUALLY. BUT FINDINGS 16 MODIFICATION. 17 REGARDING THIS PARTICULAR FACILITY CANNOT NECESSARILY --18 WE HAVEN'T ADDRESSED WHETHER THIS IS SUITABLE FOR THAT 19 PARTICULAR LANDFILL. THEY HAVE TO DO THAT. 20 BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: SO THEY GOT TWO CHOICES. 21 THEY CAN REQUEST A WAIVER OR THEY CAN AMEND THE FACILITY 22 PERMIT. 23 ATTORNEY CONHEIM: NO. I THINK THAT THERE'S A 24 THIRD CHOICE, AND THAT'S THE ONE WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO 25 EXPLAIN TO YOU. THEY SIMPLY HAVE TO, IN COMPLYING WITH



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THE COVER STANDARD, DEMONSTRATE THAT A NEW MATERIAL THAT
THEY'RE USING IS SUITABLE TO BE USED AS COVER. THEY CAN
DO THAT IN A NUMBER OF WAYS.

MR. VLACH: THE STAFF HAS MET WITH THE LEA, AND IT'S UNDERSTANDING THAT THE LEA AND THE OPERATOR HAVE BEEN WORKING TOGETHER FOR SOME TIME AND HAVE JUST RECENTLY COMPLETED AN ANALYSIS OF THE MATERIAL THAT'S BEEN FAIRLY THOROUGH. WE HAVEN'T SEEN IT YET; AND IN THAT CONTEXT, WE WOULD LIKE TO MAKE IT CLEAR TO THE BOARD THAT THE STAFF HAS NOT SEEN ANY AT THIS POINT -- ANY DEMONSTRATION THAT THE MATERIAL IS A SUITABLE MATERIAL, AND THAT LEA WILL BE PRESENTING THAT MATERIAL TO THE BOARD IN THE FUTURE FOR OUR ANALYSIS.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: MR. VARNER.

BOARD MEMBER VARNER: MAYBE JUST ALONG WITH THE THING, IT'S KIND OF UNCLEAR TO ME AS I LISTEN TO THIS.

MAYBE I'LL ASK IT A DIFFERENT WAY. IS THERE ANY REASON

TO BELIEVE THAT THIS MATERIAL WOULD NOT BE SUITABLE FOR USE IN ANOTHER LANDFILL?

MR. VLACH: MR. VARNER, THE REGULATIONS WITH REGARD TO THE SUITABILITY OF A COVER MATERIAL STATE THAT THE MATERIAL MUST EITHER BE A SOIL. IF IT'S A SOIL MATERIAL, THEN THE SUITABILITY IS ALREADY GIVEN. IF IT'S NOT A SOIL, THEN THE SUITABILITY MUST BE DEMONSTRATED PRIOR TO ITS USE AS A SUITABLE MATERIAL.



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1	BOARD MEMBER VARNER: IN OTHER WORDS, IT'S BEING
2	DEMONSTRATED AS A SUITABLE MATERIAL WHERE IT'S BEING
3	USED; IS THAT CORRECT?
4	MR. VLACH: I WOULD SAY THAT THE STAFF IS NOT
5	AWARE THAT THAT DEMONSTRATION HAS BEEN MADE AT THIS
6	POINT.
7	BOARD MEMBER VARNER: IS THIS MATERIAL BEING
8	USED FOR COVER MATERIAL?
9	MR. VLACH: I THINK THAT WE ARE AWARE OF THE
10	FACT THAT IT IS NOT THIS MATERIAL THAT'S BEING PROPOSED
11	TO THE BOARD TODAY, BUT A PRECURSOR TO THIS MATERIAL, A
12	DIFFERENT KIND OF MATERIAL THAT IS BEING PROCESSED. THIS
13	PERMIT
14	BOARD MEMBER VARNER: SO THE SUITABILITY OF THIS
15	MATERIAL HAS NOT BEEN ESTABLISHED?
16	MR. VLACH: THAT'S CORRECT.
17	BOARD MEMBER VARNER: OKAY. I THINK THAT'S
18	WHERE MAYBE THE MISUNDERSTANDING IS BECAUSE I THOUGHT IT
19	HAD BEEN ESTABLISHED ALREADY.
20	SO THIS MATERIAL, THE SUITABILITY FOR
21	LANDFILL COVER, HAS NOT YET BEEN ESTABLISHED?
22	MR. VLACH: THE BOARD STAFF IS NOT AWARE OF ANY
23	FINDING BY THE LEA THAT INCLUDES A DEMONSTRATION THAT THE
24	MATERIAL IS SUITABLE. IT'S NOT BEEN REPRESENTED TO THE
25	BOARD. WE UNDERSTAND FROM THE LEA THAT THAT HAS BEEN



1 WORKED UP AND WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE STAFF FOR REVIEW. 2 BUT WE HAVE NOT SEEN IT YET. BOARD MEMBER VARNER: WHAT ARE THEY GOING TO DO 3 4 WITH THE MATERIAL THEN UNTIL IT'S PROVEN SUITABLE FOR 5 THAT PURPOSE? 6 MR. VLACH: THAT WE WOULD HAVE TO ASK THE LEA AND THE OPERATOR. I BELIEVE A GENTLEMAN IS HERE 7 8 REPRESENTING VENVIROTEK. AND THE SANITATION DISTRICT 9 REPRESENTATIVE IS HERE, AS WELL AS THE LEA. 10 BOARD MEMBER VARNER: MAYBE WE NEED TO HEAR FROM 11 HIM. ARE THEY USING THIS MATERIAL FOR ANYTHING? 12 MR. VLACH: THE STAFF IS RECOMMENDING THAT THE 13 LEA DID TELL US WHAT THE INTENT OF THE PERMIT WAS, AND WE 14 WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FROM THEM. 15 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: FINE. WILL YOU PLEASE 16 IDENTIFY YOURSELF. 17 MR. KOEPP: YES, MR. CHAIRMAN. MY NAME IS DON I'M THE LEA AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH DIRECTOR 18 KOEPP. IN VENTURA COUNTY. 19 I GUESS TO ANSWER THE LAST QUESTION FIRST 20 21 IS, YES, THE MATERIAL -- A SIMILAR MATERIAL IS BEING USED, NOT THIS PRECISE MATERIAL. THE MATERIAL THAT'S 22 23 GOING TO BE TREATED UNDER THIS PERMIT IS GOING TO BE LOCALLY GENERATED SEWAGE SLUDGE. THE MATERIAL THAT'S 24 CURRENTLY BEING PROCESSED IS COMING FROM THE LOS ANGELES 25





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COUNTY HIPERIAN PLANT. I SUPPOSE IT'S A SIMILAR MATERIAL, BUT NOT EXACTLY THE PRECISE SAME MATERIAL THAT WILL BE TREATED THERE.

THE MATERIAL HAS BEEN EVALUATED BY THE LEA UNDER THE BOARD'S TITLE 14 STANDARDS IN TERMS OF PROPAGATION OF ANY VECTORS, LEACHATE GENERATION, PRESENT ANY POSSIBILITY OF ANY PATHOGENS IN THE SEWAGE SLUDGE MATERIAL OR THE TREATED VENVIROTEK MATERIAL. WE'VE HAD THIS MATERIAL UNDER REVIEW IN A DESIGN STUDY SINCE JUNE OF 1988, AND WE'VE HAD THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES LOOK AT THE POTENTIAL FOR ANY PROPAGATION OF ANY PATHOGENS FROM THE TREATED MATERIAL, AND THEY HAVE APPROVED IT FOR ITS USE OR APPLICATION AS A COVER.

AS THE LEA, WE'RE VERY SATISFIED THAT IT MEETS THE CRITERIA THAT THE BOARD HAS FOR -- IN TITLE 14 STANDARDS, IT'S SUITABILITY FOR COVER.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: MS. BREMBERG.

BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: MR. CHAIRMAN, WHO MADE THE AGREEMENT WITH THE HIPERIAN SLUDGE?

MR. KOEPP: I CAN'T ANSWER THAT. AS THE LEA, I BELIEVE IT'S BETWEEN THE VENVIROTEK REPRESENTATIVE AND THE LOS ANGELES CITY, WHO RUNS THE HIPERIAN, CITY OF LOS ANGELES. THE SEWAGE SLUDGE, AFTER IT'S TREATED, IS BEING APPLIED AT THE LANDFILL UNDER CONTRACT WITH THE LANDFILL OPERATOR.



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BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: THAT WAS DONE WITHOUT HEALTH SERVICES' CONCURRENCE OR OURS OR WATER OR ANYBODY. JUST WAS INCORPORATED AS A PRIVATE CONTRACT?

MR. KOEPP: NO. THE APPLICATION -- BEFORE THE APPLICATION WAS MADE. IT WAS APPROVED BY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES. THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE PRIVATE OPERATOR, IN THIS CASE, I BELIEVE, IS VENVIROTEK AND THAT CONTRACT, OF COURSE, TOOK PLACE WITHOUT HIPERIAN. ANY GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL, BUT THE APPLICATION OF THE MATERIAL WAS MADE WITH APPROVAL BY THE WATER BOARD. TO ANSWER A SPECIFIC QUESTION, THE LOS ANGELES REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD DID APPROVE ITS USE AS DAILY COVER AS WELL AS TO BE PLACED IN THE LANDFILL UNIT. EITHER WAY, IT COULD BE PLACED THERE AS A NONCOVER, OR IT COULD BE USED OR APPLIED AS A DAILY COVER. AND THAT SUPPORTING MATERIAL IS IN OUR STUDY DOCUMENT THAT WE HAVE.

> BOARD MEMBER MOSCONE: MR. CHAIRMAN.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: YES, MR. MOSCONE.

BOARD MEMBER MOSCONE: ON PAGE 160, WHICH IS UNDER SPECIFICATIONS, ITEM C. ALMOST THE VERY TOP OF THE PAGE, IT STATES THAT IF ANY CHEMFIX PRODUCT MATERIAL IS FOUND TO BE HAZARDOUS AND UNSUITABLE FOR LANDFILL COVER, IT SHALL BE HANDLED AND DISPOSED OF IN ACCORDANCE WITH HAZARDOUS WASTE CONTROL LAW, HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE; AND

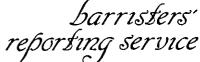


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THEN ON D, SHALL NOT -- THE CHEMFIX PRODUCT MATERIAL 1 2 SHALL NOT ALLOW OR CAUSE AIR POLLUTION, WATER POLLUTION. 3 NUISANCE CONTROL, OR INCREASED LANDFILL GAS PRODUCTION. SO IT SEEMS TO ME THAT IF ANY OF THESE BAD THINGS HAPPEN. 4 5 THAT'S THE END OF IT. 6 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: MR. CONHEIM. 7 ATTORNEY CONHEIM: I THINK THE REAL ISSUE HERE 8 IS NOT GOING TO BE WHETHER THIS MATERIAL IS -- LET ME 9 START AGAIN. 10 I THINK THE REAL ISSUE HERE DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY GREAT CONCERN BY ANYBODY THAT THIS MATERIAL 11 IS NOT SUITABLE OR WOULDN'T BE SUITABLE. 12 WHAT WE ARE SAYING IS THAT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF A PERMIT FOR 13 14 FACILITY NO. A CANNOT GOVERN AND BIND FACILITY NO. B. 15 I WOULDN'T PUT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF 16 THE PERMIT IN MY DATEBOOK AND KEEP IT IN MY POCKET. WOULD PUT IT IN THE PERMIT FOR THAT FACILITY. 17 WE'RE SAYING, THAT THERE SHOULD BE NO MISUNDERSTANDING 18 THAT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE VENVIROTEK 19 PROCESSING FACILITY BIND AND GOVERN ONLY THAT FACILITY. 20 21 AND I'M ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN, BASED ON WHAT 22 MR. KOEPP SAYS AND THE FACT THAT THIS HAS BEEN IN BUSINESS A LONG TIME, THAT AS A MATTER OF PROCESS, WHEN 23 24 THAT DEMONSTRATION IS MADE WITH THE MATERIAL THAT IS COMING OUT OF THE VENVIROTEK VENTURA FACILITY, THAT THE 25





THAT'S ALL

APPROPRIATE FINDINGS CAN BE MADE. AND IT MAY BE ONLY SO ONEROUS A JOB TO DEMONSTRATE SUITABILITY AS MAKING THE FINDING AND GOING AHEAD AND OPERATING. IT MAY NOT BE THAT BIG A DEAL.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: STRAIGHTEN ME OUT, MR.

CONHEIM: WHAT WE'RE BEING ASKED TO DO TODAY IS TO

APPROVE THE FACILITY PERMIT FOR THE VENVIROTEK PROCESSING

PLANT ONLY, AND THERE IS -- MAY BE SOME IMPLICATION, BUT

IT IS NOT INTENDED THAT WE ARE IN ANY WAY AT THIS PLACE

APPROVING IT FOR COVER MATERIAL AT ANY SPECIFIC LANDFILL.

WE'RE JUST BEING ASKED TO APPROVE THE PERMIT FOR THE

VENVIROTEK PROCESS PLANT; IS THAT CORRECT?

ATTORNEY CONHEIM: YES, MR. CHAIRMAN, THAT'S CORRECT.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: IF WE CAN KEEP, THEN --

BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: YEAH, BUT, MR. CHAIRMAN, HE SAID THAT IT'S BEEN USED, THIS PRODUCT. SOURCE NOTWITHSTANDING, YOU'VE BEEN USING THE PRODUCT SINCE JUNE OF '88 FOR COVER AND LANDFILLING IN THIS PARTICULAR --BAILARD, I BELIEVE, IS THE ONE THAT YOU MENTIONED. SO WE'RE BEING ASKED TO APPROVE SOMETHING THAT HAS BEEN OPERATING FOR ALMOST A YEAR. AND ALL YOU ARE ASKING FOR, I GUESS, IS SOURCE -- THE CHANGE OF SOURCE. YOU KNOW, I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY THE WATER QUALITY BOARD APPROVED IT FOR THIS ONE AND NOT FOR LOPEZ.



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MR. KOEPP: THE PROCESS -- THE MATERIAL THAT'S
CURRENTLY BEING USED IS BEING PROCESSED IN LOS ANGELES, I
BELIEVE, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE HIPERIAN PLANT
OPERATION. THE APPLICANT HERE WANTS TO PROCESS
LOCALLY -- SEWAGE SLUDGE FROM LOCALLY -- SEWAGE TREATMENT
PLANTS THAT WISH TO PROCESS THAT MATERIAL AT THIS PLANT.
THEY WERE GOING TO TAKE LOCAL SEWAGE SLUDGE FROM OUR
SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANTS, BRING IT TO THIS PLANT, PROCESS
THE MATERIAL HERE, THE PROCESSED MATERIAL THEN IS
PROPOSED TO BE APPLIED AT THE BAILARD LANDFILL.

BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: AND ELIMINATE THE HIPERIAN?

MR. KOEPP: I DON'T KNOW THAT. THAT'S A CONTRACTUAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE --

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: AGAIN, I THINK THAT'S WHERE WE'RE GETTING CONFUSED. THERE IS NO IMPLICATION HERE, AND I SUSPECT THAT THE BOARD MEMBERS ASKING THESE QUESTIONS THINK THEY'RE BEING ASKED TO APPROVE THIS MATERIAL AS COVER MATERIAL. AND THAT'S NOT WHAT WE'RE HERE FOR. WE'RE HERE TO APPROVE A PERMIT FOR THE VENVIROTEK PROCESS WITH NO IMPLICATIONS. YOU ARE'NOT GIVING UP YOUR RIGHT TO JUDGE IT AS A COVER MATERIAL AT SOME POINT LATER IN TIME; IS THAT CORRECT?

MR. IWAHIRO: THAT IS CORRECT.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: IF THAT GETS IT IN



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PERSPECTIVE.
MR. IWAHIRO: FROM BOARD STAFF'S POINT OF VIEW.
BUT THE REASON WHY I THINK WE'RE TALKING
ABOUT THIS IS BECAUSE THERE MAY BE ANOTHER PERSPECTIVE
FROM THE LEA AND THE OPERATOR.
CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: WELL, THAT'S A DIFFERENT
STORY, THOUGH.
WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT, SIR?
MR. LONG: YES. DAVE LONG WITH VENVIROTEK, THE
OPERATOR OF THE FACILITY.
I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT THE
PROCESSING FACILITY HAS BEEN THERE AT BAILARD FOR ABOUT
THREE YEARS PROCESSING A NUMBER OF WASTESTREAMS, OIL
FIELD WASTESTREAMS, AND WE'VE BEEN BEFORE THE BOARD TO
EXPAND THAT WASTESTREAM.
AT EACH STEP ALONG THE WAY, THE LOCAL LEA
HAS APPROVED IN WRITING THE USE OF THAT MATERIAL FOR USE
AS DAILY COVER OR INTERMEDIATE COVER AT THE LANDFILL
SITES.
THIS MOST RECENT REVISION IS NOW ASKING THE
SAME PROCESS TO START INITIATING THE RECEIPT OF SEWAGE
SLUDGE AT THAT FACILITY AND TO USE THAT END PRODUCT AS
COVER MATERIAL.
BOARD MEMBER MOSCONE: AT BAILARD.
MR. LONG: AT BAILARD.



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ALL THE MATERIAL WE ARE PROCESSING AT THE BAILARD FACILITY, I USED ON BAILARD. OUR OTHER CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS OR LOCAL PERMITS PROHIBIT THE REMOVAL OF MATERIAL OFF OF BAILARD. WE CANNOT MARKET IT OFF BAILARD. IT STAYS AT BAILARD.

THE PROCESS THAT WE USE FOR APPROVAL,

TYPICALLY, HAS BEEN AT THE LOCAL LEVEL -- APPROVAL FOR

DAILY AND INTERMEDIATE IMMEDIATE COVER. WE HAVE LOOKED

TO THE REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD FOR

CONCURRENCE ON THE ACCEPTANCE OF WASTE ONTO THE SITE, BUT

THE APPROVAL HAS ALWAYS BEEN AT THE LOCAL LEVEL.

HERE, I THINK WHAT I HEAR BEING PERHAPS A COMMENT IS THAT PERHAPS IT NEEDS TO BE PUSHED UP TO THE STATE LEVEL FOR APPROVAL OF THAT END USE AS DAILY COVER. IF THAT'S THE CASE, THEN WE'RE IN A LITTLE BIT OF HAZE BECAUSE WE ALREADY HAVE APPROVAL FOR THE USE OF THE NATURITE FROM THE LOCAL LEA FOR USE AS DAILY COVER.

ATTORNEY CONHEIM: MR. CHAIRMAN.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: MR. CONHEIM.

ATTORNEY CONHEIM: THIS ISSUE -- THIS AGENDA

ITEM IS RIFE WITH ASSUMPTIONS THAT AREN'T SPOKEN. WE'RE

NOT SAYING THAT. WHAT WE ARE SAYING IS THAT TAKE A LOOK

AT THIS PERMIT DISCRETELY, JUST AS YOU'VE DESCRIBED IT.

THE PROCESS FOR DETERMINING THE SUITABILITY OF COVER CAN

AND IN MOST CASES WITH THE SEVERAL HUNDRED FACILITIES



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AROUND THE STATE IS DETERMINED THROUGH THE NORMAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE OPERATOR AND THE LEA.

IN UNIQUE CASES OR INTERESTING CASES. LEA'S SHARE INFORMATION WITH STAFF. AND WHERE STAFF SPOTS AN ISSUE OR FINDS. AS IT DID IN WEST CONTRA COSTA COUNTY. THAT AN ISSUE WAS NOT BEING HANDLED IN A WAY THAT THE STAFF THOUGHT CONFORMED WITH THE STANDARDS. THEIR INTERACTION RESULTED IN A WAIVER REQUEST AND A STATE LEVEL ACTION, BUT I DON'T HAVE ANY INFORMATION TODAY THAT MR. KOEPP'S APPROVAL OR SUBSEQUENT APPROVAL OF THIS AS COVER IS GOING TO NECESSARILY INVOLVE A STATE ACTION. WE'RE JUST SAYING LOOK AT THIS PERMIT TODAY.

THE FACT THAT THE OPERATOR AND LEA BROUGHT THIS PERMIT. THINKING THAT IT AUTHORIZED THE USE AS COVER. THAT'S WHAT GENERATES THE ASSUMPTION OF A STATE APPROVAL. IT WASN'T THAT WE ASKED FOR THAT. IT WAS THAT THE OPERATOR BY -- AND THE LEA, BY THEIR MISTAKE, PROCESS MISTAKE. HAVE CONFUSED THIS ISSUE. BUT WE'RE TRYING TO SIMPLIFY IT, AND I'M NOT SURE WHY IT'S SO DIFFICULT. IT'S LIKE ANY OTHER PERMIT. IT'S A PERMIT FOR THE JOHN DOE LANDFILL OR THE JOHN DOE TRANSFER STATION. WHAT IT GOVERNS.

BOARD MEMBER TCHOBANOGLOUS: A POINT OF CLARIFICATION. WOULDN'T WE BE SETTING A PRECEDENT BY APPROVING A WHOLE HOST OF PROCESSES THAT MAY OR MAY NOT



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HAVE ANY END USE? DOESN'T IT FALL UNDER THAT CATEGORY?

THAT IS, I MEAN, IT'S COME BEFORE US AND WE'RE SAYING,

"WELL, WE DON'T KNOW IF THERE'S AN END USE, BUT WE'LL GO

AHEAD AND APPROVE THE PROCESS." ISN'T THAT THE POSITION

WE'RE BEING PUT IN?

ATTORNEY CONHEIM: YES, EXACTLY. THERE ARE MANY, MANY TYPES OF PROCESSING FACILITIES THAT WE WOULD HAVE NO END USE APPROVAL FOR. CERTAIN MATERIAL RECOVERY FACILITIES THAT MIGHT SEPARATE RECYCLED MATERIALS FROM WASTE, WE WOULD NOT BE INTERESTED IN THE END USE OF THE SECONDARY MATERIAL. I DON'T THINK THAT'S A PROBLEM, MR. -- DR. TCHOBANOGLOUS.

MR. VLACH: DOCTOR, I COULD RESPOND TO -- ADD TO BOB'S COMMENT, THAT THE CHEMFIX PROCESS ENSURES TWO THINGS THAT MAY OTHERWISE PREVENT THIS WASTE FROM BEING RECEIVED AT A SANITARY-TYPE LANDFILL, CLASS III LANDFILL. IT ENSURES THAT THE MATERIAL WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED A CORROSIVE, THAT ITS PH BE REDUCED BELOW A CERTAIN LEVEL, I THINK IT'S 12, TO MAKE SURE THAT IT'S NOT A CORROSIVE MATERIAL. IF IT WAS ABOVE 12, IT WOULD BE CONSIDERED A HAZARDOUS WASTE AND COULDN'T EVEN BE ALLOWED TO ENTER THE LANDFILL.

SECONDLY, IT ENSURES THAT THE MOISTURE

CONTENT OF THE DRILLING MUDS OR THE SLUDGE OR WHATEVER IS

REDUCED BELOW 50 PERCENT, THEN IT CAN MEET SUBCHAPTER 15



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1 REQUIREMENTS AND BE AUTHORIZED TO BE DISPOSED OF IN A 2 LANDFILL. SO ASIDE FROM THE ISSUE OF WHETHER IT'S 3 SUITABLE AS COVER, THE CHEMFIX PROCESS DOES PROVIDE THAT 4 THIS WASTE CAN BE ALLOWED TO GO TO A CLASS 111-TYPE 5 6 LANDFILL AND PREVENT IT FROM HAVING TO GO INTO MAYBE A 7 HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE. SO IT DOES HAVE SUBSTANTIAL BENEFIT OVER AND ABOVE THE USE OF IT AS A COVER MATERIAL. 8 9 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS? CAN 10 WE HAVE A MOTION ON REQUEST FOR PERMIT AND STAFF'S 11 RECOMMENDATION? 12 BOARD MEMBER MOSCONE: SO MOVED. 13 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: IT HAS BEEN MOVED THAT 89-12 AND 89-27 BE APPROVED. 14 THE SECOND? 15 BOARD MEMBER BROWN: SECOND. 16 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: NOW BEEN SECONDED. ANY 17 FURTHER DISCUSSION? HAVE THE QUESTION THEN. ALL THOSE 18 IN FAVOR OF ACCEPTING STAFF RECOMMENDATION, ADOPTION OF 19 RESOLUTION 89-12 AND 89-27 SAY AYE. OPPOSED? 20 BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: AYE. 21 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: WE HAVE ONE OPPOSITION. MS. 22 BREMBERG. AND IT IS, THEREFORE, CARRIED AND SO ORDERED. 23 **BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW:** MR. CHAIRMAN. 24 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: YES. MR. BEAUTROW. 25 BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: I DON'T LIKE ROLLER





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SKATING, AND I'LL BE QUITE HONEST WITH YOU. ON THIS PARTICULAR ISSUE WHAT WE'RE SAYING, IN EFFECT, IS, YES, I UNDERSTAND WHAT WE JUST APPROVED. WE APPROVED A FACILITY TO PRODUCE A CERTAIN KIND OF THING, AND WE'RE SAYING BUT DON'T BOTHER US WITH THE DETAILS OF WHAT YOU ARE GOING TO THAT'S WHAT WE JUST FINISHED DOING. DO WITH THAT. OKAY.

THEY'RE SAYING, "LET'S LEAVE IT UP TO THE LEA, " AND IT'S UP TO HIM AS TO HOW THAT MATERIAL IS BEING USED AND DON'T BOTHER THE BOARD WITH IT. THAT'S OKAY WITH ME; BUT, ON THE OTHER HAND, WE'RE HEARING FROM THE STAFF, "WELL, THEY'VE GOT TO DEMONSTRATE THE SUITABILITY FOR THIS." LOOK AT IT, WE'RE PUT IN A TUG-OF-WAR HERE AND I DON'T LIKE IT. AS FAR AS I'M CONCERNED, THE ISSUE IS STILL CLOUDED, AND THAT'S MY COMMENT ON IT.

> CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: OKAY. THANK YOU.

IT IS NOW TIME TO ADJOURN FOR LUNCH. WE WILL RECONVENE AT 2 O'CLOCK.

(A LUNCH BREAK WAS TAKEN.)

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CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: READY TO CONVENE AND CALL TO ORDER THE CALIFORNIA WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING. THE NEXT AGENDA ITEM TO BE DISCUSSED IS AGENDA ITEM NO. 2.

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MR. IWAHIRO: YES, MR. CHAIRMAN. THIS ITEM IS A KIND OF A STATUS REPORT ON THOSE THINGS THAT HAD TO BE CERTIFIED BY OPERATORS WITH REGARD TO 2448 AGAIN. AND IF YOU RECALL, THEY WERE SUPPOSED TO ON JANUARY 1ST CERTIFY THAT THEY HAD AN INITIAL COST ESTIMATE FOR CLOSURE PREPARED AND THAT THEY HAD ESTABLISHED A FINANCIAL MECHANISM TO PAY FOR IT AND THAT THE FUNDING WAS ADEQUATE TO TAKE CARE OF THOSE COSTS.

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THOSE ARE THE CERTIFICATIONS THAT WERE TO BE MADE, AND THEY WERE TO BE SUBMITTED EACH LANDFILL OPERATOR. AND, OF COURSE, YOU'VE BEEN TOLD IN THE PAST THAT WE HAVE RECEIVED SOME, AND WE'VE GIVEN YOU REPORTS ON HOW MANY AND ALL THAT, AND BILL ORR WILL GIVE YOU A FURTHER UPDATE ON WHERE WE ARE AT ON THAT AND CONSIDERATION OF AT LEAST ONE OF THESE SUBMITTALS! PROBABLY IN HIS PRESENTATION HE WILL LET YOU KNOW HOW WE ARE HANDLING THOSE REVIEWS.

MR. ORR: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD MEMBERS.



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WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO THIS AFTERNOON IS BREAK
THIS PRESENTATION UP INTO THREE SECTIONS. IT'S BECOMING
MORE COMPLICATED AS WE GO INTO REVIEWING THE
CERTIFICATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN RECEIVED.

SO WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO IS BRIEFLY HIGHLIGHT
THE STATUS OF THE INFORMATION THAT WE'VE RECEIVED, AS
MR.IWAHIRO DESCRIBED. AND I'LL GO INTO, AT THAT POINT IN
TIME, THE BREAKDOWN ON THE MECHANISMS AND SO FORTH.

THEN THE SECOND AREA I'D LIKE TO GO INTO HAS TO DO WITH CONSIDERATION FOR APPROVAL OF OPERATOR CERTIFICATIONS. THIS WAS A PROCESS THAT THE BOARD AGREED THAT THEY WANTED TO PURSUE AT THE FEBRUARY BOARD MEETING WHERE, AS A GOOD FAITH RESPONSE TO THE OPERATORS THAT HAVE COMPLIED WITH THE LAW, WE'D LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT TO THEM. AND AT THIS POINT WE'RE INITIATEDING THAT PROCESS, AND I'LL GO THROUGH THAT PROCESS BECAUSE THIS IS THE FIRST TIME WHERE WE'VE BROUGHT ANY TO YOUR ATTENTION.

AND THEN THE THIRD ITEM HAS TO DO WITH COMPLIANCE ACTIVITIES THAT WE'VE BEEN PURSUING. AND WE'VE GOT A LIST OF FACILITIES THAT WE'VE HEARD VERY LITTLE FROM, AND WE HAVE SOME OPTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BASED ON WHERE TO PROCEED WITH THESE PARTICULAR FACILITIES.

SO WITHOUT FURTHER ADO, I'LL GO THROUGH AND

I'LL UPDATE US ON WHAT'S OCCURRED SINCE THE LAST BOARD



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PROBABLY THE MOST SIGNIFICANT THING IS THAT WE SENT LETTERS TO ALL OF THE OPERATORS THAT HAD NOT RESPONDED AT ALL TO OUR PREVIOUS CORRESPONDENCE REGARDING THE REQUIREMENTS TO SUBMIT SOMETHING. WE ALSO SENT LETTERS TO THE GROUP OF FACILITIES THAT THE ONLY RESPONSE THAT WE HEARD FROM THEM WAS THAT THEY WANTED AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO DO SOMETHING.

WHAT WE INDICATED TO THEM WAS THAT THEY WOULD HAVE 14 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THE LETTER WITHIN WHICH TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN OVERDUE SINCE JANUARY 1ST. SO BY THE TIME WE WROTE THE LETTER, THEY WERE APPROXIMATELY THREE MONTHS OVERDUE ALREADY.

SO WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE TOTALS BEGINNING ON PAGE 53 OF THE BOARD PACKET. YOU WILL NOTICE THAT I'VE HIGHLIGHTED THE NUMBERS THAT HAVE CHANGED SINCE THE LAST BOARD MEETING. THAT WE STARTED OFF IN OUR PROGRAM WITH A LIST OF 416 OPERATORS THAT WERE GENERATED FROM THE SOLID WASTE INFORMATION SYSTEM. AT THIS POINT IN TIME WE'VE RECEIVED 68 TOTAL ALTERNATIVE CERTIFICATION STATEMENTS. WHICH WOULD INDICATE THAT FOR ONE REASON OR ANOTHER THE OPERATOR DIDN'T BELIEVE THEY WERE SUBJECT TO THE CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS. NOW, THAT'S AN INCREASE OF 30 FROM LAST MONTH.



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SO PROBABLY THE LARGEST GROUP OF PARTIES THAT WE HEARD FROM THAT HAD NOT RESPONDED IN ANY FASHION BEFORE WERE THOSE THAT THEN CLAIMED THAT THEY WERE NOT SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS. AND SO PROBABLY HE HAD JUST IGNORED OUR PREVIOUS CORRESPONDENCE AND NOW FELT THAT IT MIGHT BE IN THEIR BEST INTEREST TO RESPOND IN SOME FASHION.

NOW, WHAT THAT DOES ON OUR TOTAL NUMBER OF SUBJECT LANDFILL OPERATORS IS IT REDUCES BY 30 THE NUMBER OF FACILITIES THAT AT THIS TIME WOULD BE CONSIDERED SUBJECT TO THE CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.

NOW, WE HAVE, IN ADDITION TO THAT, RECEIVED SOME INDIVIDUAL PIECES OF INFORMATION WHICH MAY BE AN INITIAL COST ESTIMATE, MAY BE AN OPERATOR CERTIFICATION; BUT WE REALLY HAVEN'T RECEIVED VERY MANY ADDITIONAL COMPLETE SUBMITTALS SINCE THE PREVIOUS MEETING. HOWEVER, RECEIVED SOME ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL MECHANISMS OF APPROXIMATELY 20 MORE FINANCIAL MECHANISMS WHICH WOULD BE INDICATED ON THE PIE CHART ON PAGE 54 OF THE BOARD PACKET.

AND WHAT WE CONTINUE TO SEE IS THE MAJORITY OF THE LANDFILL OPERATORS ON AN INTERIM BASIS HAVE SELECTED EITHER A TRUST FUND OR AN ENTERPRISE FUND AS THEIR MECHANISM OF CHOICE FOR THEIR LANDFILL.

THEN LET'S MOVE ON TO THE SECOND SECTION.



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THIS WOULD BEGIN ON PAGE 55 OF THE BOARD PACKET, AND THIS WOULD BE ONE OF TWO ACTION ITEMS THAT THE BOARD MAY CONSIDER TODAY RELATING TO THESE OPERATOR CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.

THE PROCESS THAT WAS AGREED UPON AT THE FEBRUARY MEETING WOULD BE THAT THE BOARD STAFF WOULD REVIEW THE SUBMITTED INFORMATION TO SEE THAT IT, FIRST OF ALL. COMPLIED STRUCTURALLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CERTIFICATION IN THE GOVERNMENT CODE. AND THAT WOULD BE PRIMARILY THAT IT WAS, IN FACT, A CERTIFICATION AND ALSO THAT IT COMPLIED WITH ALL THREE REQUIRED ELEMENTS.

THE FIRST ELEMENT WOULD BE THAT THEY HAD PREPARED AN INITIAL COST ESTIMATE. THE SECOND IS THAT THEY HAD ESTABLISHED A TRUST FUND OR EQUIVALENT FINANCIAL 'ARRANGEMENT. AND THE THIRD ELEMENT WOULD BE THAT THE FUNDING OF THAT SELECTED MECHANISM WOULD ENSURE ADEQUATE RESOURCES FOR CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE.

NOW, BECAUSE OF THE EMPHASIS ON THE PERMIT PROGRAM AND THE NEW REQUIREMENT THAT WAS DISCUSSED AT THE MARCH MEETING, WHERE NEW APPLICANTS TO BECOME OPERATORS OF SOLID WASTE FACILITIES ARE REQUIRED TO MAKE THEIR CERTIFICATIONS UPON APPLICATION, WE'VE GIVEN PRIORITY TO THOSE FACILITIES THAT HAVE SUBMITTED THEIR CERTIFICATION MATERIALS WHERE THERE IS A PENDING PERMIT ACTION SO THAT WE CAN HAVE AN IDEA AS TO WHETHER THEY'VE COMPLIED WITH



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NOW, WHAT THE STAFF HAS DONE IS FOR THE CERTIFICATIONS THAT WOULD BE LISTED ON YOUR BOARD PACKET THERE, WE'VE REVIEWED THE SUBMITTAL FOR COMPLETENESS: AND UPON DETERMINING THAT IT WAS COMPLETE, WE WOULD REVIEW BOTH THE INITIAL COST ESTIMATE THAT WAS SUBMITTED AND WE DEVELOPED A VERIFICATION CHECKLIST FOR THAT COST ESTIMATE AND ALSO EVALUATE THE FINANCIAL MECHANISM ITSELF TO VERIFY THAT IT. IN FACT, HAD BEEN ESTABLISHED AND THAT IT MET THE CRITERIA THAT WERE IN THE BOARD'S GUIDELINES THAT WERE APPROVED LAST SUMMER.

THE FACILITY THAT RECEIVED THIS REVIEW THIS MONTH THAT IS A PENDING PERMIT ACTION IS THE CHESTNUST AVENUE DISPOSAL SITE. AND THE -- ALL OF THOSE CHECKLISTS HAVE BEEN USED IN EVALUATING THIS SUBMITTAL, AND THE BOARD OPTIONS THAT ARE INDICATED THERE WOULD BE TO EITHER TAKE NO ACTION BECAUSE THERE IS NO REQUIREMENT UNDER THE LAW TO APPROVE THE CERTIFICATIONS, OR IF IT WAS FELT THAT THE OPERATOR HAD NOT COMPLIED WITH THE REQUIREMENTS, TO DENY THE OPERATOR'S CERTIFICATION: BUT WHAT THE STAFF IS RECOMMENDING IN THIS INSTANCE WOULD BE APPROVING THE OPERATOR'S CERTIFICATION AS BEING COMPLIANT WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE AND ALSO CONSISTENT WITH THE CERTIFICATION GUIDELINES.

I DON'T KNOW IF YOU WANT ME TO GO THROUGH





ALL THREE OF THEM AND TAKE UP THOSE ISSUES SEPARATELY OR 1 2 JUST PROCEED TO THE NEXT AREA. 3 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: MR. BEAUTROW. BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: YOU MENTIONED YOU WROTE THE LETTER TO THE RECALCITRANT -- THE ONES THAT DIDN'T 5 YOU SAY YOU GOT 14 DAYS TO RESPOND OR WHAT? RESPOND. 6 MR. ORR: WELL, BASICALLY, IT'S TWOFOLD, THAT ESSENTIALLY WE WOULD BRING IT TO YOUR ATTENTION THAT THEY 8 9 HAVEN'T COMPLIED, AND THEN IT WOULD BE AT YOUR DIRECTION 10 AS TO HOW TO PROCEED. THAT WILL BE THE NEXT SECTION OF 11 THE ITEM. 12 MR. IWAHIRO: DID WE NOT MENTION THAT IT MAY BE 13 REFERRED TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL? 14 MR. ORR: WE SAID IT MAY BE REFERRED TO THE 15 ATTORNEY GENERAL, WHICH IS ONE OF THE RECOMMENDED OPTIONS 16 HERE. 17 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: WHY DON'T YOU BREAK IT UP, 18 BILL, SO THAT THERE WON'T BE ANY LOSS OF TRAIN OF 19 THOUGHT. 20 MR. ORR: SO THAT PRETTY MUCH COMPLETES THE 21 PROCESS THAT WE WENT THROUGH. AND THE RECOMMENDATION 22 TODAY FOR THE FIRST ITEM WOULD BE THAT THE BOARD CONSIDER 23 APPROVING THIS ONE OPERATOR CERTIFICATION THAT IS PENDING 24 AS A PERMIT ITEM. 25 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: IS IT YOUR WISH THAT WE



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1	TAKE A VOTE ON THAT AS OF RIGHT NOW?
2	MR. ORR: YES.
3	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: WOULD YOU RESTATE WHAT IT
4	IS YOU WOULD LIKE US TO DO?
5	MR. ORR: THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE OPERATOR'S
6	CERTIFICATION FOR THE CHESTNUST AVENUE DISPOSAL SITE, AND
7	THAT THIS ACTION WOULD INDICATE THAT THE APPLICANT HAD
8	COMPLIED WITH THE CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS OF
9	GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 66796.22, AND THAT THE SUBMITTAL
10	IS CONSISTENT WITH THE CERTIFICATION GUIDELINES.
11	BOARD MEMBER TCHOBANOGLOUS: SO MOVE.
12	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: IT HAS BEEN MOVED AND
13	SECONDED THAT WE ADOPT AND CONFIRM THE OPERATOR THAT YOU
14	STATED IN YOUR MOTION AND THAT IT CONFORMS TO THE
15	GUIDELINES.
16	ALL THOSE IN FAVOR? OPPOSED?
17	MR. ORR: AS A FOLLOW-UP TO THAT, WE WILL BE
18	BRINGING BACK IN A SIMILAR FORMAT TO YOU A LIST,
19	HOPEFULLY MORE THAN ONE, BUT AS WE'RE ABLE TO BRING
20	FORWARD A LIST OF THE CERTIFICATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN
21	REVIEWED FOR YOUR ATTENTION.
22	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU, BILL.
23	MR. ORR: NOW, IN TERMS OF THE SECOND ITEM, THIS
24	WOULD BE CONSIDERATION OF ENFORCEMENT OPTIONS FOR
25	NONCOMPLIANCE WITH THE CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.



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1	NOW, THE GROUP OF FACILITIES AND OPERATORS
2	THAT WE'RE FOCUSING HERE ON TODAY, AS I MENTIONED BEFORE
3	ARE ONES WHERE WE'VE ESSENTIALLY RECEIVED NOTHING; OR NOW
4	THAT WE'VE SENT OUT A LETTER, MAYBE THEY'VE SENT IN ONE
5	SMALL PIECE OF THE CERTIFICATION, BUT THEY CLEARLY DO NOT
6	COMPLY WITH THE CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE
7	GOVERNMENT CODE.
8	LETTERS HAVE BEEN SENT OUT IN TWO PRIMARY
9	BATCHES, BUT WE'VE ALSO SENT OUT LETTERS TO SOME
10	INDIVIDUAL FACILITIES. IF, FOR EXAMPLE, WE GOT A
11	CORRECTED ADDRESS, WE WOULD SEND OUT A NEW LETTER TO THE
12	CORRECT ADDRESS AND RESTART THE CLOCK ON WHEN WE WERE
13	REQUESTING COMPLIANCE.
14	TO GIVE YOU AN IDEA, THE PRIMARY GROUP THAT
15	WE SENT OUT WAS TO THE PEOPLE WE HEARD NOTHING FROM. THE
16	LIST ON THE STATUS OF THE FACILITIES WOULD BEGIN ON PAGE
17	56, AND FOR SEVERAL PAGES THERE'S A LIST OF FACILITIES
18	THAT WE'VE HEARD ABSOLUTELY NOTHING FROM.
19	NOW, IN THAT WE WERE REQUESTING COMPLIANCE
20	WITH THE REQUIREMENTS BY MARCH 22D
21	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: MARCH 22D?
22	MR. ORR: MARCH 22D, YEAH.
23	THE SECOND GROUP OF FACILITIES WHERE THEY
24	HAD PREVIOUSLY REQUESTED AN EXTENSION OF TIME BEGINS ON
25	PAGE 66 68 OF THE BOARD PACKET. AND THE DATE OF THAT





LETTER WAS MARCH 22D. AND SO FOR THAT GROUP, WE REQUESTED COMPLIANCE BY APRIL 5TH, WHICH HAS SUBSEQUENTLY ELAPSED.

AND THEN ON PAGE 70 ARE SEVERAL SPECIFIC FACILITIES THAT HAVE HAD LETTERS SENT OUT, AS I MENTIONED, SPECIFIC TO THAT SITE, AND THE COMPLIANCE DATE REQUESTED IS INDICATED. NOW, ONLY ONE OF THESE FACILITIES -- ONE OF THE COMPLIANCE DATES FOR THAT FACILITY WOULD BE APRIL 21ST, WHICH WILL BE TOMORROW, AND SO THEY HAVE ONE DAY LEFT BASED ON THE REQUEST IN THE LETTER.

> BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: MR. CHAIRMAN. CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: YES, MS. BREMBERG.

BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: BILL, ON THE -- LET'S GO BACK TO PAGE 56. THESE PEOPLE ARE IN GREAT PART -- I NOTICE THAT THERE'S A LOT OF PUBLIC ENTITIES THAT HAVE NOT COMPLIED, AS WELL AS MILITARY ESTABLISHMENTS, FEDERAL AND EVEN STATE PARKS. WHAT KIND OF, IF I MAY QUOTE OUR LEARNED COUNSEL, HAMMER DO WE HAVE ON THEM?

MR. ORR: WELL, I THINK, AT THIS POINT IN TIME, THE MAIN HAMMER THAT WE HAVE WOULD BE JUST BUILT INTO IT IS NOT GRANTING ANY PERMIT ACTIONS ON THE FACILITY UNLESS IT WAS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS. BEYOND THAT, THERE IS NOT A HAMMER THAT'S BUILT INTO THE LAW REGARDING THE INITIAL CERTIFICATIONS.



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BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: I THINK WE HAVE ONE THAT ISN'T BUILT INTO THE LAW, AND IT'S NAME IS CHRIS PECK ON PRESS RELEASES TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY WHERE THERE IS NONCOMPLIANCE BY THE GOVERNMENT CHARGED WITH DISPOSING OF THEIR SANITARY -- UNSANITARY WASTE. IT SEEMS TO HAVE WORKED IN THE PAST. AND THERE'S ABSOLUTELY NOTHING WRONG, IN MY OPINION, WHEN THEY'RE THIS DELINQUENT TO POINT OUT TO THE LOCAL NEWSPAPERS, WHETHER THEY BE WEEKLY OR DAILY, THAT WE'RE SITTING UP HERE GIVING THEM GUIDANCE AND EXPERT TRAINING AND SO FORTH AND SO ON, AND SOMEHOW THEY NEGLECTED TO RESPOND TO OUR CORRESPONDENCE.

MR. ORR: THAT DEFINITELY COULD BE CONSIDERED ALONG WITH ANY OTHER ACTIONS THAT MIGHT BE APPROPRIATE, SURE.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: MR. CONHEIM, TAKING A LOOK
AT THE OPTIONS, I'D LIKE SOME COMMENTS FROM YOU AS TO
WHETHER OR NOT WE WOULD GET EGG ON OUR FACE IF WE WERE TO
VOTE FOR, SAY, OPTION NO. 2 LISTED ON PAGE 70. IT'S
OBVIOUS THAT COMPLIANCE WITH CERTIFICATION WAS NOT A VERY
WELL SPELLED OUT THING IN THE STATUTE. SO I DON'T WANT
TO DISCOURAGE; BUT, ON THE OTHER HAND, I DON'T WANT TO
ENCOURAGE ANYTHING WHICH IS GOING TO GET US IN AN
EMBARRASSING SITUATION.

ATTORNEY CONHEIM: I THINK BILL HAS MENTIONED
THE CENTRAL PROBLEM WE'VE GOT HERE; THAT IS, THAT THESE



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INITIAL CERTIFICATIONS ARE STATUTORY CREATURES WHICH
PRECEDE OUR ADOPTING ANY REAL STANDARDS FOR REGULATIONS.

AND THE INTENT OF THE INITIAL CERTIFICATIONS WAS TO GET
THE PROGRAM ROLLING. BUT THE REAL MEAT, THE REAL
GOVERNANCE OF THE CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE OF
THESE SITES IS GOING TO BE THROUGH THE BOARD'S APPROVAL
OF THE REAL CLOSURE PLANTS.

SO I DON'T THINK IT'S THE INTENT OF BILL'S
STAFF -- BILL OR BILL'S STAFF AND CERTAINLY NOT MY INTENT
TO RECOMMEND THAT, BY REFERRING TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
WE REALLY INTEND TO LITIGATE ALL OF THESE INITIAL
CERTIFICATION NONCOMPLIANCES.

WHAT WE'D LIKE TO DO IS GET AS MUCH -- WE'D LIKE TO CAJOLE AS MUCH COMPLIANCE AS POSSIBLE BECAUSE IT IS THROUGH THE INITIAL CERTIFICATIONS THAT WE WILL GET THE PROGRAM ROLLING AND SENSITIZE THE COMMUNITY TO WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO. SO WE HAD SOME SUCCESS IN MOST OF THE COUNTIES THAT WE ASKED THE AG TO WRITE DELINQUENT COSWMP LETTERS TO. OF COURSE, WE HAD TO LITIGATE A FEW OF THEM. WHAT WE'D LIKE TO DO IS GET THE AG AT A MINIMUM TO TWEAK THE OPERATORS WITH A LETTER FROM THE AG.

AND THEN EACH INDIVIDUAL CASE DOWN THE
LINE, I THINK, IS GOING TO BE SOMETHING FOR YOU TO DECIDE
ON WHAT TO DO, PARTICULARLY IF, HAVING FAILED TO DO
INITIAL CERTIFICATIONS, A FACILITY ALSO DOESN'T TURN IN



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1	ITS REAL CLOSURE PLAN WHEN IT'S SUPPOSED TO.
2	NOW, THERE'S A COUPLE OTHER ISSUES. I
3	THINK THAT WHERE WE HAVE STATE AGENCIES INVOLVED, IT'S A
4	REAL BOMBSHELL FOR US TO EVEN CONSIDER LITIGATION AGAINST
5	A SISTER STATE AGENCY RUNNING A FACILITY. SECONDLY,
6	THERE IS AN OUTSTANDING ISSUE THAT IS NOT YET RESOLVED AT
7	THE FEDERAL LEVEL AS TO WHETHER FEDERAL FACILITIES SHOULD
8	BE BOUND BY OUR CLOSURE REGS.
9	I THINK THE LAW IS VERY CLEAR, BUT A
10	VARIETY OF THE FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE OPERATORS
11	DON'T THINK SO. SO WHAT WE'RE ASKING YOU TO DO IN OPTION
12	NO. 2 IS TO SIMPLY ENGAGE THE AG AND THE AG LIKES TO
13	DO THIS BECAUSE THIS IS LETTER WRITING. WE'RE NOT GOING
14	TO HAVE ANY PROBLEM GETTING THEM TO DO THAT. WE'VE HEARD
15	THAT BEFORE. I THINK THAT'S AN APPROPRIATE THING TO DO,
16	AND THEN WE SEE WHAT THE FALLOUT IS.
17	GEORGE HAS SOME REMARKS THAT HE'D LIKE TO
18	MAKE.
19	MR. EOWAN: I'VE BEEN REINING MYSELF IN ALL DAY.
20	LET ONE OUT HERE.
21	ONE COMMENT ON THE LIST. I THINK IF WE
22	MAKE A MOTION ON TAKING SOME ACTION ON THIS, I WOULD
23	RECOMMEND THAT WE DELETE ANY STATE AGENCY THAT HASN'T
24	RESPONSIBLE OPERATOR.



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AND THE LAST ONE ON THE LIST IS A STATE

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1 AGENCY, AND THERE MAY BE ANOTHER ONE THAT I MISSED. 2 THERE ARE OTHER METHODS TO DEAL WITH STATE AGENCY OTHER 3 THAN ATTORNEY GENERAL. 4 BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: THERE'S A STATE PARKS 5 ONE. 6 MR. EOWAN: SECOND POINT. IT OCCURS TO ME THERE'S PROBABLY ANOTHER OPTION, AT LEAST ONE OTHER 7 OPTION, THERE MAY BE OTHERS, BESIDES THE TWO THAT ARE 8 9 LISTED. AND I APOLOGIZE FOR NOT HAVING IT ON HERE. 10 HAS TO DO WITH TAKING SOME ACTION ON THE PERMIT. ON THE 11 OPERATING PERMIT. 12 ONE POSSIBILITY WOULD BE LISTING THE 13 FACILITY ON THE STATE LIST OF NONCOMPLYING FACILITIES. 14 THERE MAY BE OTHER PERMIT ACTIONS THAT WE CAN TAKE. 15 MR. CONHEIM, YOU SAID SOMETHING ABOUT COSWMP. 16 17 ATTORNEY CONHEIM: ALLAN MENTIONED -- LEANED OVER AND MENTIONED TO ME ALSO SOMETHING WE'VE TALKED 18 19 ABOUT IS THAT IF A FACILITY COMES IN -- IF A COUNTY IN 20 WITH A COSWMP AND THEY'RE TRYING TO COUNT THEIR EIGHT 21 YEARS CAPACITY TO INCLUDE THESE NONCOMPLYING FACILITIES 22 WHO ARE NOT COMPLYING BECAUSE THEY HAVEN'T DONE THEIR 23 CERTIFICATIONS AND RELATED CLOSURE ACTIVITIES, THEN I 24 THINK IT FOLLOWS THAT IF WE LIST THEM ON THE LIST OF 25 NONCOMPLYING FACILITIES OR TAKE A PERMIT SANCTION. THAT



WE ALSO CONSIDER THE EFFECT OF TAKING THOSE FACILITIES OUT OF THE EIGHT-YEAR CAPACITY COUNT IN A COSWAY, SO THAT POTENTIALLY A COSWMP COULD BE DISAPPROVED BECAUSE OF ONE OF THESE ACTIONS AS WELL. CAN'T COUNT A FACILITY CAN'T USE.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: LET ME CLARIFY IN MY OWN IS THERE A DEADLINE FOR THIS ACTION THAT YOU ARE MIND. TALKING ABOUT, BILL? WERE THEY SUPPOSED TO COME IN FOR CERTIFICATION BY X DATE?

> MR. ORR: JANUARY 1 OF THIS YEAR.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: SO THERE IS AT LEAST A STATUTORY TIME FRAME THAT WE CAN REFER TO.

BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: MR. CHAIRMAN, YOU TALKED ABOUT REMOVING STATE AGENCIES. **HOW ABOUT FEDERAL?**

MR. ORR: IF I COULD MAYBE MAKE A COMMENT ON THE FEDERAL FACILITIES. TO GIVE YOU AN IDEA. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF FEDERAL FACILITIES ON THE LIST. AND SOME OF THE FEDERAL FACILITIES HAVE SUBMITTED INITIAL COST ESTIMATES AND HAVE INDICATED THAT THEY DON'T BELIEVE THEY CAN COMPLY WITH THE FINANCIAL EFFECT MECHANISM ASPECT OF THE REQUIREMENT, BUT THEY'VE SHOWED AT LEAST GOOD FAITH IN TERMS OF SUBMITTING THEIR INITIAL COST ESTIMATES.

NONE OF THE FACILITIES THAT ARE ON THIS LIST TODAY HAVE EVEN DONE THAT. ! THINK IF THERE'S A QUESTION ABOUT THE FEDERAL FACILITIES AND APPROPRIATE



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FINANCIAL MECHANISMS, THAT DOES NEED TO BE SORTED OUT,
BUT I DON'T THINK THAT IT NECESSARILY NEEDS TO BE USED AS
AN EXCUSE NOT EVEN TO PREPARE A CLOSURE PLAN OR INITIAL
COST ESTIMATE. AND THE FEDERAL FACILITIES THAT ARE ON
THIS LIST TODAY HAVEN'T EVEN GONE THAT FAR.

BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: I'M LOOKING AT JET
PROPULSION LABORATORY AND EDWARDS AIR FORCE, BUREAU OF
LAND MANAGEMENT, JUST TO PICK UP A FEW ON HERE. THERE'S
A LOT OF THEM THAT AREN'T -- HAVEN'T BOTHERED TO RESPOND
AT ALL. AND I'M JUST KIND OF CURIOUS AS TO WHAT CAN WE
DO MORE THAN WE ARE. DO THEY TREMBLE WHEN THEY GET A
LETTER FROM THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE OF
CALIFORNIA? I DIDN'T THINK PROBABLY THEY DID.

MR. ORR: THEY MAY NOT TREMBLE, BUT I THINK ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE'VE RUN INTO DISCUSSING THIS WITH THE INDIVIDUAL FACILITIES IS COMMONLY WHAT WE'RE BEING TOLD IS THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OR SOMEBODY IS GOING TO BE RESPONDING ON BEHALF OF THEM IN TERMS OF WHAT THEIR POSITION IS RELATING TO THE FINANCIAL ASSURANCES. AND YET WE'VE NOT SEEN A LETTER FROM THEM TO THAT EFFECT. AND SO WE MAY NOT BE ABLE TO MAKE THEM TREMBLE, BUT AT LEAST WE COULD KNOW WHAT THEIR POSITION IS FORMALLY. I THINK THAT THAT WOULD BE VALUABLE.

BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: MR. CHAIRMAN.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: YES, MR. BEAUTROW.



1	NOT LIMITED TO, THE ONES THAT WERE STATED HERE TODAY.
2	MR. EOWAN: YES.
3	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: AND TAKE THE VOTE BASED ON
4	THAT, GIVING A DEADLINE TO REPORT BACK TO US IF ANY OF
5	THEM HAVE ANY EFFECT.
6	MR. EOWAN: I THINK THAT'S APPROPRIATE. I THINK
7	THAT'S THE BEST WAY TO DO IT.
8	BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: MAKE THAT AN ORAL
9	ADJUSTMENT.
10	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: I'M JUST SAYING THEY SHOULD
11	WITHDRAW THIS AND HAVE BILL STATE OR PARAPHRASE WHATEVER
12	IT WAS WE SAID.
13	MR. EOWAN: I THINK IT WAS VERY CLEAR AND
14	DOESN'T NEED PARAPHRASING.
15	MR. IWAHIRO: I THINK WE GOT IT.
16	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: IF THAT IS ACCEPTED AS AN
17	OPTION BY THE STAFF, I'LL TRY TO REPHRASE IT, THAT WE
18	WITHDRAW OPTION NO. 2 AND INSTITUTE IN ITS PLACE A
19	RECOMMENDATION THAT STAFF BE GIVEN PERMISSION TO USE ALL
20	OPTIONS AVAILABLE, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE
21	ONES THAT WERE STATED HERE TODAY, WHICH INCLUDED PERMIT
22	REVIEWS, COSWMPS, ETC., AND THEN REPORT BACK TO US
23	WHETHER OR NOT ANY OF THOSE OPTIONS HAD ANY EFFECT.
24	ATTORNEY CONHEIM: INCLUDING THE AG, MR.
25	CHAIRMAN, IF APPROPRIATE, INCLUDING THE AG, IF



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BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: ANOTHER AVENUE IS THAT
ON THE FACILITY PERMITS, I THINK YOU GAVE US A REPORT
SOME TIME AGO THAT LIKE 80 PERCENT OF THE FACILITIES HAVE
NOT DONE THEIR FIVE-YEAR PERMIT REVIEW. WE COULD BRING
THESE TO THE FOREFRONT BY TARGETING THESE THINGS, GOING
BACK TO THE LEA, SAYING THAT WE WANT TO REVIEW THIS
PERMIT, AND THEN TELLING THEM THAT THERE'S THE
POSSIBILITY, LIKE THE CHESTNUST AVENUE THING, THAT THEY
WON'T HAVE A PERMIT. SO WE COULD ACCELERATE THE PERMIT
REVIEW PROCESS IF THEY ARE, IN FACT, DUE FOR THAT. KIND
OF A ROUNDABOUT WAY.

MR. EOWAN: I DIDN'T MEAN TO SAY THAT THE
OPTIONS THAT WERE IN FRONT OF YOU WERE NOT APPROPRIATE.
I JUST WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW THAT THERE PROBABLY ARE
SOME OTHER WAYS TO DEAL WITH THE ISSUE, AND MAYBE THERE'S
NO ONE BEST WAY. AND IF WE DID, SAY, TAKE OPTION NO. 2,
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL APPROACH, THAT WOULDN'T PRECLUDE US
FROM TAKING OTHER OPTIONS AS WELL. AND MAYBE THAT WOULD
BE THE BEST APPROACH BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, WE DON'T HAVE BIG
HAMMERS TO WIELD HERE AND MAYBE A FEW LITTLE ONES WILL
MAKE UP FOR IT.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: WELL, IT WOULD SEEM TO ME
THAT IF THAT IS HOW YOU FEEL, YOU SHOULD WITHDRAW THE
STAFF RECOMMENDATION OF OPTION NO. 2 AND REWRITE IT TO
CONTAIN USE ALL OPTIONS AVAILABLE TO US, INCLUDING, BUT



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CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: I SAID ALL OPTIONS AND THAT IS ONE.

YES, MR. TCHOBANOGLOUS.

BOARD MEMBER TCHOBANOGLOUS: I WAS JUST CONCERNED THAT WE FOLLOW THROUGH WITH THE AG AS THE OTHER OPTIONS ARE ON TOP OF FOLLOWING THROUGH WITH THE AG. I THINK PURSUE THAT ONE IMMEDIATELY AND ADD THE OTHER OPTIONS TO IT.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: I WAS NOT INTENDING THAT

OPTION NO. 2 BE IGNORED. IT WAS JUST THAT IT BE JUST ONE

OF THE OPTIONS INVOLVED.

ATTORNEY CONHEIM: THERE'S NOTHING MAGIC ABOUT
OR NOTHING FIXED ABOUT AN AG LETTER. TO THE EXTENT THAT
WE HAVE DIFFERENT CLASSES OR GROUPS OF FACILITIES, I
THINK THE AG'S LETTER CAN BE TAILORED TO ADDRESS SPECIFIC
CONCERNS. AND WHAT WE DO WITH OTHER THAN STATE AGENCIES,
I DON'T THINK WE HAVE TO DO SPECIFICALLY WITH STATE
AGENCIES. SO THAT I THINK THE AG'S LETTER CAN MAKE SOME
OTHER RECITATIONS WITH REGARD TO STATE AGENCIES SO THAT
WE DON'T GET OURSELVES IN SITUATION WHERE WE LOOK'LIKE
WE'RE BEING INTRANSIGENT WITH REGARD TO OUR OWN INTERNAL
GOVERNMENT PROCEDURE.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: MS. BREMBERG.

BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: MR. CHAIRMAN, IT JUST



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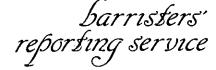
1	CROSSED MY MIND THAT I HEARD ON THE NEWS RECENTLY THAT
2	SOME OF THE MILITARY BASES IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA ARE
3	BEING CLOSED AND THAT SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, I BELIEVE,
4	IS ONE THAT IS SEEKING FINANCIAL ASSURANCES FROM THE
5	FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ON THE JET FUEL AND SO FORTH THAT WAS
6	POURED INTO THE GROUND AND CONTAMINATED AND SO FORTH.
7	ARE ANY OF THESE THAT ARE ON OUR DELINQUENT
8	LIST SOME THAT ARE BEING CLOSED? IS MOFFAT WAS MOFFAT
9	CLOSED OR IS THAT STAYING OPEN?
10	MR. EOWAN: I DON'T KNOW. I THINK WE'LL HAVE TO
11	CHECK THAT'S A GOOD POINT.
12	BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: BECAUSE IF THEY'RE GOING
13	TO WALK AWAY, WE'RE IN THE POSITION HERE OF A BANKRUPT
14	COMPANY JUST DISAPPEARING AND LEAVING WHATEVER JUNK THEY
15	MAY HAVE AROUND, JUST LEAVING IT THERE.
16	MR. EOWAN: WE WILL CHECK THAT AND MAKE SURE.
17	APPRECIATE THAT SUGGESTION.
18	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: CAN I HEAR A MOTION FROM
19	ONE OF YOU TO ADOPT THE POSITION THAT WAS STATED?
20 -	BOARD MEMBER VARNER: I'LL MAKE THAT MOTION. SO
21	MOVE.
22	BOARD MEMBER LOCKINGTON: SECOND.
23	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: IT'S BEEN MOVED AND
24	SECONDED THAT WE READJUST THE OPTION, AND YOU ALL HEARD
25	IT TWO OR THREE TIMES. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR? OPPOSED?



1	CARRIED AND SO ORDERED, BILL. YOU KNOW NOW WHAT YOU ARE
2	GOING TO DO.
3	MR. IWAHIRO: I BELIEVE THAT WAS THE CONCLUSION
4	OF THAT ITEM. THERE WERE THREE PARTS, AND I BELIEVE WE
5	GOT THEM ALL.
6	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: OKAY. READY TO MOVE NOW TO
7	ITEM NO. 7.
8	MR. IWAHIRO: ITEM NO. 7 IS ONE OF OUR TYPICAL
9	TYPE OF ACTIONS IN TERMS OF CONCURRENCE IN THE ISSUANCE
10	OF A NEW SOLID WASTE FACILITIES PERMIT FOR CHESTNUST
1:1	AVENUE. AND YOU HAD THIS BEFORE YOU IN MODESTO, AND
12	THERE WAS A DEFICIENCY WITH REGARD TO 2448. AND I
13	BELIEVE THAT'S BEEN CORRECTED, BUT STAFF WILL PRESENT
14	THAT.
15	MR. ADAMS: GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. CHAIRMAN. MY
16	NAME IS JESS ADAMS.
17	THIS ITEM IS THE CONSIDERATION OF
18	CONCURRENCE IN THE ISSUANCE OF A NEW SOLID WASTE
19	FACILITIES PERMIT FOR THE CHESTNUST AVENUE LANDFILL IN
20	FRESNO COUNTY.
21	THE KEY ISSUES ARE NEW PERMIT TO REFLECT
22	NEW OPERATOR CERTIFICATION OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY
23	REQUIRED BY AB 2448 HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM THE NEW
24	OPERATOR. AND THE THIRD ISSUE, NEW OPERATOR ACCEPTS ALL
25	TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE PREVIOUS PERMIT AND HAS



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AS YOU ARE AWARE AND AS MR. IWAHIRO MENTIONED, THIS ITEM WAS PRESENTED AND DISCUSSED AT LAST MONTH'S BOARD MEETING WHERE IT WAS DETERMINED THAT THIS NOW REQUIRED CERTIFICATION OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR NEW OPERATORS HAD INADVERTENTLY NOT BEEN INCLUDED. WHICH YOU NOW HAVE JUST AFFIRMED IN ITEM 2.

LITTLE BIT OF BACKGROUND ON THE FACILITY. AS YOU CAN SEE FROM THE BACKGROUND IN THE ITEM. THE FACILITY'S HAD A HISTORY OF MARGINAL OPERATIONS IN NONCOMPLIANCE WITH MINIMUM STANDARDS. AND WITH BROWNING FERRIS INDUSTRIES ASSISTING THE CURRENT OPERATOR BY IMPORTING COVER MATERIAL AND CONDUCTING EXTENSIVE GRADING AND DRAINAGE REPAIR WORK, THE FACILITY WAS FOUND IN COMPLIANCE BY BOARD STAFF IN FEBRUARY OF THIS YEAR. WITH THE EXCEPTION OF LEACHATE STANDARD. A COMPLIANCE SCHEDULE FOR THIS LEACHATE STANDARD IS INCLUDED IN THE PROPOSED PERMIT.

STAFF HAS REVIEWED THE PROPOSED SOLID WASTE FACILITIES PERMIT AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION AND FIND THAT THE FORM AND CONTENT OF THE PERMIT ACCEPTABLE.

AT THIS TIME I'D LIKE TO MAKE THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION THAT THE BOARD ADOPT SOLID WASTE FACILITIES PERMIT DECISION NO. 89-25, CONCURRING IN THE ISSUANCE OF SOLID WASTE FACILITIES PERMIT 10 AA 0025.



1	IF YOU DO HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, WE HAVE THE
2	LEA PRESENT, AND DIRK DUDGEON FROM BFI IS ALSO PRESENT.
3	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: ANY QUESTIONS? IF NOT,
4	WE'RE READY FOR A MOTION ON 89-25.
5	BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: MR. CHAIRMAN, I WOULD
6	MOVE SOLID WASTE FACILITIES PERMIT DECISION NO. 89-25.
7	BOARD MEMBER MOSCONE: SECOND
8	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: WE HAVE MOVED AND SECONDED
9	THE MOVEMENT OF 89-25. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR? OPPOSED?
10	CARRIED AND SO ORDERED.
11	WE'RE NOW READY TO PROCEED TO TWO ITEMS
12	AFFECTING MENDOCINO COUNTY. PEOPLE ARE HERE FROM
13	MENDOCINO COUNTY, I UNDERSTAND. WE'D LIKE TO CONSIDER
14	ITEM NO. 8.
15	MR. DIER: MR. CHAIRMAN, BOARD MEMBERS, ITEM NO.
16	8 IS CONSIDERATION OF CONCURRENCE IN THE ISSUANCE OF A
17	PERMIT FOR THE CASPAR REFUSE DISPOSAL SITE IN MENDOCINO
18	COUNTY.
19	THE BACKGROUND ON THIS ITEM IS, JUST TO
20	SUMMARIZE, THE CASPAR SITE WAS ISSUED A GRANDFATHERED
21	PERMIT IN 1979. AS A RESULT OF THE FIVE-YEAR PERMIT
22	REVIEW, THE LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCY SUBMITTED A PROPOSED
23	PERMIT FOR THE BOARD'S CONCURRENCE.
24	IN GENERAL, THE SITE'S OPERATIONS HAVE NOT
25	CHANGED MUCH SINCE THE ORIGINAL PERMIT WAS ISSUED. THE



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SITE STILL RECEIVES APPROXIMATELY 30 TONS PER DAY OF THE HOURS HAVE CHANGED A BIT; BUT OTHER THAN THAT, THERE'S NOT BEEN MUCH CHANGE.

HOWEVER, STAFF NOTED IN THE REVIEW OF THE UPDATED REPORT OF DISPOSAL SITE INFORMATION THAT THERE WAS A PROPOSED VERTICAL INCREASE OF 34 FEET AT THE SITE. WHICH WOULD EXTEND THE SITE'S LIFE BY 12 YEARS. THE LEA. IN SUBMITTING THE PERMIT, THOUGH, SUBMITTED IT AS A MODIFIED PERMIT WITH THE FINDING THAT THERE IS NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN THE DESIGN OR OPERATION OF THE FACILITY.

BECAUSE A HEIGHT INCREASE IS CONSIDERED TO BE AN EXPANSION, BOARD STAFF BELIEVE THAT THE SIGNIFICANT CHANGE HAS OCCURRED, THAT, IN FACT, THE EXPANSION CONSTITUTES AN OPERATION OUTSIDE THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE EXISTING PERMIT, THUS, REQUIRING A REVISION OF THE PERMIT.

IN ORDER TO ACCOMPLISH A REVISION OF THE PERMIT, THERE ARE OTHER PROCEDURES NECESSARY, SUCH AS COMPLIANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT. A FINDING OF CONFORMANCE WITH THE COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN, AND A FINDING OF CONSISTENCY WITH THE COUNTY GENERAL PLAN. NONE OF THESE FINDINGS OR PROCEDURES HAVE BEEN COMPLIED WITH. IN ADDITION. THE FACILITY IS NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH STATE MINIMUM



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STANDARDS.

EVEN THOUGH THE PERMIT STATES THAT IT IS IN COMPLIANCE, THERE IS AN OUTSTANDING VIOLATION OF SECTION 17691 OF THE CODE OF REGULATIONS AS NOTED BY A BOARD INSPECTION ON OCTOBER 25, 1988. THIS VIOLATION PERTAINS TO THE REMOVAL OF STOCKPILED TIRES AT THE FACILITY.

THE PERMIT COULD BE CONCURRED IN IF IT

CONTAINED A COMPLIANCE SCHEDULE FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE

STANDARD. AS WAS JUST THE CASE IN CHESTNUST AVENUE,

THERE'S A COMPLIANCE SCHEDULE FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE

STANDARD INCORPORATED IN THAT PERMIT; HOWEVER, THERE IS

NO SUCH SCHEDULE IN THIS PERMIT. STAFF HAVE REVIEWED THE

PERMIT AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION AND FIND THEIR FORM

AND CONTENT TO BE UNACCEPTABLE FOR THE REASONS I JUST

OUTLINED.

WELL, I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO POINT OUT THAT
STAFF HAS CORRESPONDED WITH THE COUNTY ON TWO OCCASIONS.
ONE WAS BY LETTER IN NOVEMBER OF 1988, OUTLINING OUR
CONCERNS RELATIVE TO THE EXPANSION AND THE NEED FOR A
COMPLIANCE SCHEDULE. THE OTHER WAS CORRESPONDENCE IN
MARCH OF THIS YEAR FROM OUR PLANNING STAFF, OUTLINING THE
REQUIREMENTS NECESSARY FOR THE CONFORMANCE FINDING AND
THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW.

BECAUSE NONE OF THESE DEFICIENCIES HAVE
BEEN ADDRESSED AND WE STILL HAVE A PROPOSED PERMIT BEFORE



YOU. STAFF IS IN A POSITION TO RECOMMEND THE BOARD ADOPT 1 2 A PERMIT DECISION NO. 89-35, OBJECTING TO THE ISSUANCE OF PERMIT NO. 23 AA 0003. 3 WE DO HAVE REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE LEA. JERRY DAVIS. THE DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH 5 6 DEPARTMENT, AND WE HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE 7 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS ALSO, WHO MAY WISH TO MAKE A COMMENT AT THIS TIME IF THE BOARD DOESN'T HAVE ANY 8 QUESTIONS. 9 10 BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: I HAVE A QUESTION. 11 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: YES. MS. BREMBERG HAS A 12 QUESTION OF STAFF, I BELIEVE. BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: DON. I SUPPORT THE 13 14 STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION; HOWEVER, IF THEY ACTUALLY DID SOMETHING THAT MET ALL OF THESE STANDARDS, IS THERE A 15 TIME LIMIT AS TO WHEN THEY COULD COME BACK AROUND AND 16 17 APPLY FOR A PERMIT SHOWING THAT THEY HAVE DONE EVERYTHING 18 THAT THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO, OR DO THEY JUST DO IT AND THEN COME IN? I'M THINKING SIX MONTHS' TIME FRAME, A YEAR 19 20 TIME FRAME. 21 MR. DIER: THERE'S NO TIME REQUIRED, PER'SE, AS LONG AS THEY DON'T ACTUALLY GO ABOVE THE PERMITTED HEIGHT 22 23 WITHOUT THE REVISED PERMIT. BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: BUT THEY OBVIOUSLY ARE 24 GOING TO HAVE TO IF THEY CONTINUE TO OPERATE AT 31 TONS A 25



ı	DAY.
2	MR. DIER: THAT'S CORRECT.
3	BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: AND THEN IF THEY OPERATE
4	WITHOUT A MODIFIED PERMIT AND THEY RUN OUT OF CAPACITY,
5	THEN WHAT DO WE DO?
6	MR. DIER: OUR POSITION WOULD BE THAT THEY WOULD
7	BE IN VIOLATION OF THE PERMIT, AND WE WOULD EXPECT SOME
8	ENFORCEMENT ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY THE LEA. IF THE LEA
9	ELECTED NOT TO, THEN WE WOULD PROBABLY TAKE SOME
10	INDEPENDENT ENFORCEMENT ACTION.
11	BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: BY THAT TIME THEY WOULD
12	HAVE GONE UP 10 FEET.
13	MR. DIER: THEY WOULD BE IN VIOLATION OF THEIR
14	PERMIT, YES.
15	BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: THANK YOU.
16	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU. ANYTHING
17	FURTHER, DON? ARE YOU READY FOR THE
18	MR. DIER: THOSE ARE MY COMMENTS. WE CAN HAVE
19	THE REPRESENTATIVES MAKE THEIR COMMENTS NOW AT THIS TIME.
20	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: 1 DON'T KNOW WHICH ORDER
21	YOU GENTLEMEN PREFER TO GO IN, BUT I HAVE REQUESTS.' BOTH
22	OF YOU WANT TO TALK ON THE ITEM, SO IDENTIFY YOURSELF FOR
23	THE RECORD AND WE'LL TAKE IT AS YOU CALL IT.
24	MR. BELLISTON: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, MY
25	NAME IS ED BELLISTON. I AM THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF



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PUBLIC WORKS FOR THE COUNTY OF MENDOCINO. I HAVE A VERY BRIEF PREPARED STATEMENT. I'VE MADE SOME COPIES IF THE BOARD WOULD LIKE TO HAVE TO FOLLOW ALONG.

I MIGHT PREFACE MY REMARKS A LITTLE BIT.

THIS HAS BEEN KIND OF INTERESTING THE LAST HOUR WITH YOU OR LAST HALF HOUR WITH YOU. WE HAVE SUBMITTED OUR CERTIFICATION, BY THE WAY, REGARDING CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE, AND WE HAVE SUBMITTED TO THE FIVE-YEAR PERMIT PROCESS. WE'RE APPARENTLY ONE OF ONLY 20 PERCENT. THAT SHOULD SAY SOMETHING ABOUT THE COOPERATIVE AND WORKING ATTITUDE WE HAVE ABOUT COMPLYING WITH REGULATIONS.

TODAY WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE BOARD'S HEAVY

AGENDA AND ASSOCIATED TIME CONSTRAINTS, AND WE WOULD LIKE

TO MAKE A BRIEF COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF THE LOCAL

ENFORCEMENT AGENCY'S ACTION AND REQUEST THE BOARD CONCUR

WITH THAT ACTION.

WE'RE CONCERNED WITH THE TONE OF THE STAFF
REPORT THAT SUGGESTS WE'VE BEEN UNCOOPERATIVE AND FAILED
TO COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE REGULATIONS. STAFF
CONTENDS THAT THE PERMIT MODIFICATIONS APPLIED BY THE LEA
CONSTITUTE A SIGNIFICANT CHANGE; AND, THEREFORE, THE
PERMIT REVIEW PROCESS, AS COMPLETED BY MENDOCINO COUNTY
AND THE LEA, IS NOT APPLICABLE. BECAUSE OF THEIR
POSITION, STAFF HAS MANDATED WE SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR



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A REVISION OF A PERMIT IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROVISIONS IN SECTION 18211 OF YOUR ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS.

THE REGULATIONS SPECIFY AN APPLICATION FOR A REVISION OF A PERMIT BE HANDLED IN THE SAME MANNER AS AN APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT FOR A NEW FACILITY. APPLICATION, OBVIOUSLY, REQUIRES THE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION STAFF HAS REQUESTED BE PROVIDED.

THE ISSUE WE WANT TO DISCUSS IS WHETHER OR NOT THE MODIFICATIONS OF THE PERMIT RESULTING FROM THE FIVE-YEAR REVIEW CONSTITUTE A SIGNIFICANT CHANGE. I F THEY DO NOT, THE LEA HAS ACTED PROPERLY WITHIN THEIR AUTHORITY, AND THE BOARD SHOULD CONCUR WITH THE LEA'S DECISION.

MODIFICATIONS APPLIED TO OUR PERMIT FOR THE CASPAR SITE WOULD ALLOW THE HEIGHT OF THE MOUND TO EXCEED THAT ENVISIONED BACK IN 1977 BY 30 TO 35 FEET AND WOULD PERMIT THE SITE TO BE OPERATED THROUGH THE YEAR 2000. THE ABILITY TO EXTEND THE LIFE OF THE SITE WITHOUT EXPANSION OF THE ACTIVE DISPOSAL AREA IS DUE TO TWO **FACTORS:** IMPROVED EFFICIENCY IN THE USE OF SPACE. WE'RE DOING A MUCH BETTER JOB OF COMPACTING AND UTILIZATION OF CELLS AND COVER THAN WE ANTICIPATED OR WERE ABLE TO DO IN AND ASSOCIATED WITH THE INCREASE IN THE HEIGHT OF 1977. THE MOUND, WE CAN PROBABLY OPERATE FOR ANOTHER THREE OR FOUR YEARS BEFORE WE'D BE IN VIOLATION OF THE PERMIT



REQUIREMENTS THAT ARE THERE NOW. IN OTHER WORDS, WE 1 WON'T BEGIN TO ENCROACH BEYOND THE HEIGHT THAT WAS SET IN 2 THE ORIGINAL PERMIT IN 1977 ANOTHER THREE OR FOR YEARS. 3 WE HAVE NOT IDENTIFIED ANY SIGNIFICANT 5 ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES WITH EITHER OF THESE FACTORS: THAT IS. THE IMPROVED COMPACTION, IMPROVED EFFICIENCY OF USE 6 7 OF SPACE, OR THE INCREASED HEIGHT IN THE MOUND. 8 MAY WE DIRECT YOUR ATTENTION TO THE REPORT OF THE SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON SIGNIFICANT 9 10 CHANGE ADOPTED BY THE BOARD IN MAY OF 1987. IN THE 11 REPORT PREFACE IT READS: 12 "THIS DECISION -- IT IS REFERRING 13 TO THE DECISION OF THE 14 MODIFICATIONS AS A SIGNIFICANT 15 CHANGE -- DESERVES SPECIAL 16 CONSIDERATION SINCE PERMIT 17 REVISIONS INVOLVE A SERIES OF 18 COMPLEX, COSTLY, AND TIME-CONSUMING 19 ACTIONS FOR PUBLIC AND PRIVATE 20 OPERATORS, LOCAL GOVERNMENT 21 OFFICIALS, AND STATE REGULATORY 22 STAFF." 23 THAT'S A QUOTE FROM YOUR GUIDELINES THAT 24 WAS ADOPTED BY -- THROUGH THE COMMITTEE'S WORK. 25 IT WAS, IT SEEMS, THE INTENT OF THE



COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE THE GREATEST LATITUDE POSSIBLE AT 1 2 THE LOCAL LEVEL. 3 IN THE BACKGROUND SECTION, THE REPORT STATES: 5 "VARIATIONS IN CONDITIONS 6 THROUGHOUT THE STATE, COUPLED WITH 7 A DESIRE TO AVOID RESTRICTIVE 8 GUIDELINES, PROMPTED THE COMMITTEE 9 TO RECOMMEND LIBERAL GUIDELINES 10 THAT IDENTIFY POSSIBLE INDICATORS 11 OF SIGNIFICANT CHANGE WHILE 12 REINFORCING THE CURRENT AUTHORITY 13 STRUCTURE AND RESPONSIBILITY FOR 14 DETERMINATION OF SIGNIFICANT CHANGE 15 THAT RESTS WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT." 16 IN THE SECTION IDENTIFYING SPECIFIC AREAS OF CONCERN, THE GUIDELINES MAKE IT CLEAR THAT THE BOARD 17 18 DOES NOT WANT TO ERODE THE STATUTORY AUTHORITY CURRENTLY 19 VESTED IN LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES TO MAKE LOCAL DETERMINATIONS ABOUT LOCAL HEALTH ISSUES. 20 21 BOTTOM LINE: THE LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCY HAS MADE A DETERMINATION THAT MODIFICATIONS TO THE PERMIT 22 RESULTING FROM THE THREE-YEAR PERMIT -- FIVE-YEAR PERMIT 23 24 REVIEW PROCESS DO NOT CONSTITUTE A SIGNIFICANT CHANGE AND 25 HAVE NOT SOLICITED AN APPLICATION FOR A REVISION OF THE



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1	PERMIT FROM THE SITE OPERATORS, WHO IS MENDOCINO COUNTY.
2	UNDER ITS ADOPTED GUIDELINES, THE BOARD HAS
3	THE AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY TO CONCUR WITH THE LEA'S
4	CONCLUSION.
5	AT THE LAST INSPECTION IN OCTOBER OF 1988,
6	THE BOARD STAFF CONCLUDED THE SITE LOOKS VERY GOOD. WE
7	WANT TO CONTINUE DIRECTING OUR EFFORTS AND RESOURCES
8	TOWARD OPERATIONS OF THE SITE IN COMPLIANCE WITH ALL
9	ESTABLISHED STANDARDS AND NOT HAVE TO REDIRECT THAT
10	EFFORT AND THOSE LIMITED RESOURCES INTO A PAPERWORK
1 1	NIGHTMARE WITH AN UNDETERMINABLE OUTCOME.
12	I THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION. OF COURSE,
13	BE ABLE TO RESPOND TO ANY QUESTIONS YOU MIGHT HAVE.
14	HAVE SOME PHOTOGRAPHS, WHILE MR. DAVIS IS SPEAKING, IF
15	YOU'D LIKE TO LOOK AT THEM. THEY'RE PHOTOGRAPHS THAT
16	WERE TAKEN LAST WEEK OF THIS SITE. IT'S LOCATED ON THE
17	COAST IN MENDOCINO COUNTY ABOUT THREE MILES INLAND FROM
8	THE COMMUNITY OF CASPAR.
19	UNLESS YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OF ME, MR.
20	DAVIS HAS A FEW BRIEF COMMENTS.
2 1	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU, MR. BELLISTON.
22	ANY QUESTIONS OF MR. BELLISTON?
23	THANK YOU.
4	MR. DAVIS: MR. CHAIRMAN, AND MEMBERS OF THE
25	BOARD, MY NAME IS JERRY DAVIS. I'M THE DIRECTOR OF



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ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH IN MENDOCINO COUNTY AND ALSO THE LOCAL ENFORCING AGENCY FOR THE SOLID WASTE MASTER PLAN.

AND I'M NOT GOING TO COVER THE SAME GROUND AS MR. BELLISTON HAS IN DEFERENCE TO THE HEAVY SCHEDULE YOU HAVE TODAY, BUT I'D LIKE TO MAKE JUST A COUPLE OF POINTS.

THE FIRST ONE IS IT SEEMS LIKE MUCH OF THE ISSUE HERE REVOLVES AROUND THE TERMINOLOGY "SIGNIFICANT I'M SURE THAT A LOT OF PERMITS HAVE COME BEFORE CHANGE." YOU HAVE THE SAME ISSUE THAT HAVE TO BE DEALT WITH.

IT IS OUR BELIEF, AS THE LOCAL ENFORCING AGENCY, THAT THE TERM "SIGNIFICANT" SHOULD REFER TO SIGNIFICANT IMPACTS. AND I THINK THAT'S WHAT THE DESIRED OUTCOME OF THIS WHOLE PROCESS IS IS SAFE, ENVIRONMENTALLY SOUND SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL. AND WE WENT THROUGH A LONG PROCESS OF LOOKING AT THIS CHANGE IN THE OPERATION OF THE CASPAR SITE, AND WHAT WE TRIED TO KEEP IN MIND WAS. AGAIN, WHEN I SAY, THE DESIRED OUTCOME. AND WE FAILED TO FIND THAT THE PLAN TO INCREASE THE HEIGHT OF THE PILE AT THE CASPAR SITE CONSTITUTED A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT OR WOULD CONSTITUTE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT FROM THE SOLID WASTE FACILITY.

AND WE, THEREFORE, MADE THE DETERMINATION LOCALLY THAT WE DID NOT FEEL THAT THIS WAS A SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN THE OPERATION.



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FACILITY PERMIT FOR CASPAR, THE, LET'S SAY, THE TIGHTNESS OF THE APPLICATION OF THE REGULATIONS WAS NOT QUITE WHAT IT IS NOW. AND AT THE TIME IF I WOULD HAVE KNOWN THAT WE WERE GOING TO BE LOCKED INTO 30 FEET OR 35 FEET OR 40 FEET, WE PROBABLY WOULD HAVE PUT IN 40 FEET OR 45 FEET, AT THE TIME, BECAUSE WE DO NOT SEE WHERE THIS CONSTITUTES A POTENTIAL SIGNIFICANT IMPACT FROM THE OPERATION OF THE FACILITY.

THE SECOND THING I'D LIKE TO MENTION IS
THAT THE VIOLATION THAT HAS BEEN MENTIONED IS TIRES.
WE -- CASPAR HAS A STOCKPILE OF TIRES. AND OVER THE
YEARS THE LEA AND THE COUNTY HAVE NOT BEEN PARTICULARLY
HAPPY WITH HAVING A STOCKPILE OF TIRES THERE; BUT DURING
THE INSPECTIONS, WE'VE NEVER NOTED AN ACTUAL HEALTH
HAZARD FROM THE TIRES, EITHER THROUGH LEACHATE GENERATION
OR VECTOR BREEDING OR OTHER TYPES OF POTENTIAL HEALTH
RISK.

THE REPORT FROM THE STATE INSPECTOR

IDENTIFIES THE PROBLEM OF THE POTENTIAL HEALTH RISK. WE

DON'T DENY THAT A LARGE STOCKPILE OF TIRES IS A POTENTIAL

HEALTH RISK; HOWEVER, IN ALL THE YEARS THAT WE HAVE BEEN

INSPECTING THE CASPAR FACILITY, WE HAVE NOT SEEN IT TO BE

AN ACTUAL HEALTH RISK. NEVERTHELESS, WE WILL BE ABLE TO

PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION VERY SHORTLY THAT WE WILL HAVE THE



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TIRES REMOVED WITHIN 90 DAYS. WE HAVE MADE ARRANGEMENTS.

IT IS VERY COSTLY, AS YOU ARE PROBABLY WELL AWARE, BUT IN DISCUSSIONS WITH PUBLIC WORKS, IT WAS DETERMINED IT WAS NOT A PROBLEM THAT WAS GOING TO GO AWAY AND WE'D BETTER DEAL WITH IT NOW.

THE LAST THING THAT I'D JUST LIKE TO MENTION VERY BRIEFLY IS THAT I'VE PERSONALLY -- I'VE BEEN WITH MENDOCINO COUNTY SINCE 1969, AND I'VE PERSONALLY SEEN THE CASPAR FACILITY GO FROM A HOLE IN THE WATER TABLE IN WHICH INDUSTRIAL WASTE WAS DUMPED TO THE CURRENT FACILITY. IT'S A LONG HARD ROAD AND IT'S A VERY COSTLY ROAD, AS YOU PROBABLY ARE WELL AWARE, BUT I'VE SEEN THE CASPAR FACILITY ESTABLISH A TRACK RECORD OF IMPROVEMENT OVER THE YEARS.

IT HASN'T ALWAYS BEEN AS FAST AS PEOPLE IT HASN'T ALWAYS BEEN AS QUICKLY AS THE WOULD LIKE. STATE BOARD WOULD LIKE TO SEE, AND NOT AS QUICKLY AS THE COUNTY WOULD LIKE TO SEE; BUT CERTAINLY WITHIN THE RESOURCES OF THE COUNTY, THE FACILITY HAS BEEN CONSISTENTLY IMPROVED TO THE POINT WHERE NOW WE HAVE NOT SEEN LEACHATE GENERATION THIS YEAR. WE HAVE NOT SEEN SOME OF THE PROBLEMS THAT WE DID HAVE IN PAST YEARS, AND WE FEEL VERY STRONGLY THAT WE WOULD RATHER USE OUR RESOURCES ON IMPROVING THE FACILITY THAN BEGINNING A VERY EXPENSIVE AND COSTLY PAPERWORK PROCESS OF CEQA WHERE WE



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DON'T SEE AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT.

THANK YOU.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU, MR. DAVIS. ANY QUESTIONS?

MR. BEAUTROW.

BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: WE'RE, I BELIEVE, VERY SENSITIVE TO THE DIVERSITY OF THE STATE AND KNOWING THAT EACH COUNTY HAS THEIR OWN PARTICULAR SETS OF PROBLEMS, BUT I GOT TO HARKEN BACK TO -- CONHEIM MIGHT HAVE SAID THIS BEFORE -- ABOUT THE PRUDENT MAN RULE. WE'VE AGONIZED OVER WHAT CONSTITUTES A SIGNIFICANT CHANGE, AND I'M NOT SURE THAT WE REALLY ALL FULLY UNDERSTAND THAT, BUT THERE'S CERTAIN CONCEPTS AND IDEAS THAT WE HAVE.

AND WHAT -- I DON'T THINK UNDER A PRUDENT MAN'S EYES THERE'S ANY WAY THAT YOU COULD NOT SAY THAT THIS IS A SIGNIFICANT CHANGE. I MEAN, THIS IS SOMETHING. AND YOU CAN'T JUST SAY THAT, "WELL, WE'RE UP HERE AND WE'RE OUTSIDE THE LIMITS OF EVERYBODY ELSE."

WE'RE RESPONSIBLE FOR UNIFORMLY APPLYING A
SET OF STANDARDS AND LAWS THROUGHOUT THE STATE; AND,
UNFORTUNATELY, THERE IS -- YOU INDICATED IT'S A BLIZZARD
OF PAPERWORK, BUT I'M SURE THAT THERE IS WAYS OF DEALING
WITH THIS AND TRYING TO BE SENSITIVE TO YOUR OWN
PARTICULAR PROBLEMS. I THINK YOU MUST UNDERSTAND THAT WE
CAN'T JUST LOOK THE OTHER WAY AND HERE'S A MOUNTAIN.



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I MEAN, THERE'S NO WAY THAT YOU CAN SAY
THIS IS NOT A SIGNIFICANT CHANGE, EVEN UNDER MANY
INTERPRETATIONS. AND WHAT YOU'RE TRYING TO DO IS
INTERPRET IT IN YOUR OWN LIGHT, AND WE HAVE TO TAKE, I
THINK, A BROADER VIEW OF THAT. AND THAT'S WHAT I THINK
WE SHOULD CONSIDER HERE.

MR. DAVIS: THAT'S CERTAINLY -- OBVIOUSLY THE BOARD'S PREROGATIVE. WE DIDN'T SEE 30 MORE FEET AS CREATING A MOUNTAIN. THAT WAS OUR OPINION.

BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: THAT'S A THREE-STORY BUILDING.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: MR. ARAKALIAN.

BOARD MEMBER ARAKALIAN: I'M SORT OF LISTENING
TO THIS AND GETTING THE PICTURE THAT'S GOING UP, IN THIS
CASE, IS NOT QUITE AS SIGNIFICANT AS GOING OUT. LIKE IF
IT WERE GOING TO TAKE MORE ACREAGE OR A NEW SITE,
EXPANSION OF THE SITE, THAT'S ONE THING, BUT GOING UP IS
ANOTHER. THEN AT THAT POINT, I LOOK AT THESE PICTURES
AND I'M ASSUMING THEY'RE MEANT TO SHOW US THAT BEING OUT
IN THE BOONIES HERE, LITTLE BIT EXTRA HEIGHT WOULD NOT BE
SO SIGNIFICANT.

OR LESS OUT HERE WOULDN'T MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE EITHER, IF YOU WANT TO USE THAT LOGIC LINE OR IF I WANT TO LISTEN TO THAT. SO I'M THINKING WAY OUT WHERE IT IS, ONE IS AS



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1	SIGNIFICANT AS THE OTHER. IF WE WERE TO TAKE EXPANSION
2	AS A SIGNIFICANT FACTOR, WHY THEN WOULDN'T WE TAKE
3	HEIGHT? YOU SEE MUCH DIFFERENCE IN WHETHER IT WAS 30
4	FEET HIGHER OR LOWER? EXCEPT IF IT SNOWS AND YOU'RE THAT
5	MUCH HIGHER, BUNNY SLOPES OUT THERE. THAT'S 35 MORE
6	FEET, YOU SAY, OR 35 TOTAL?
7	MR. BELLISTON: THIRTY-FIVE MORE FEET, SIR.
8	BOARD MEMBER ARAKALIAN: SIGNIFICANT AS THE
9	OTHER IN MY EYES.
10	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS?
11	BOARD MEMBER BROWN: MR. CHAIRMAN, I HAVE A
12	QUESTION. I'M A LITTLE BIT CONFUSED. ORIGINALLY THE
13	SITE WAS PERMITTED FOR WHAT KIND OF HEIGHT?
14	MR. IWAHIRO: 45 FEET IS THE THE ELEVATION
15	WOULD HAVE BEEN 440 FEET, AND IT'S GOING UP TO 474 FEET
16	IN ELEVATION NOW.
17	BOARD MEMBER BROWN: IT'S THERE NOW OR IT'S
18	PROPOSED TO GO THERE?
19	MR. IWAHIRO: PROPOSED.
20	BOARD MEMBER BROWN: THAT PROPOSAL CAME TO US IN
21	THE FORM OF A REQUEST, A STATEMENT? HOW DID THAT GET TO
22	US?
23	MR. DIER: IT GOT TO US IN THE FORM OF A
24	MODIFIED PERMIT, WHICH WAS ACCOMPANIED BY AN UPDATED
25	REPORT OF DISPOSAL SITE INFORMATION, WHICH DESCRIBED THIS



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AND WHAT THE LEA AND OPERATOR WERE
REQUESTING OF THIS BOARD WAS FOR US TO AUTHORIZE THAT
HEIGHT INCREASE MERELY BY THE MODIFIED PERMIT WITHOUT THE
REQUIREMENTS OF ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW, COUNTY SOLID WASTE
PLAN CONFORMANCE, OR GENERAL PLAN CONSISTENCY, WHICH
STAFF'S POSITION IS THOSE ARE REQUIRED TO EXPAND A SITE.
WE FEEL THAT THE HEIGHT INCREASE CONSTITUTES AN EXPANSION
OF THIS SITE.

AGREE. I WISH THERE WERE SOMETHING MORE CONCRETE, SUCH AS AN INCREASE IN DAILY TONNAGE, SOMETHING THAT WE COULD PUT OUR FEET DOWN WITH. THERE IS NO INCREASE. THIS IS REALLY A BENEFIT TO THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN THAT THERE'S INCREASED CAPACITY NOW WITH NO INCREASE IN DAILY TONNAGE. AND I CAN FULLY UNDERSTAND WHAT THEY ARE TRYING TO DO IN TERMS OF SAVING MONEY AND PAPERWORK AND SO FORTH.

UNFORTUNATELY, I HAVE TO TAKE THE POSITION THAT MR. BEAUTROW HAS, THAT WE'RE TRYING TO EVENLY ADMINISTER SOMETHING THROUGHOUT THE STATE HERE, AND IT MAKES IT DIFFICULT. HOLD ON FOR A WHILE HERE.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU. ANY FURTHER QUESTION?

MR. CONHEIM.



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ATTORNEY CONHEIM:

OVER SIGNIFICANT CHANGE HAS BEEN ITS RELATIONSHIP TO

SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT, THAT THE TERM

VERY DIRECT RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SIGNIFICANT CHANGE AND

"SIGNIFICANT CHANGE" IN OUR LAW IS BROADER. AND ONE OF

THE ASPECTS OF SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IS VERY CLEARLY STATED

IN THE LAW, NOT ONLY AN OPERATIONAL CHANGE BUT A DESIGN

INEXORABLY, THAT A 35-FOOT INCREASE IN HEIGHT HAS GOT TO

BE CONSIDERED A DESIGN CHANGE OF SOME PROPORTION.

REVIEW AS TO WHETHER THAT DESIGN CHANGE IS GOING TO

INVOLVE ENGINEERING OR OPERATIONAL ASPECTS THAT ARE

CHANGED FROM BEFORE; BUT REMEMBER THAT IT IS NOT ONLY

SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT, AND I THINK THAT'S THE

WAY YOU LOOK AT IT A LOT OF THE TIME. THAT'S THE WAY I

THINK THE DIRECTOR HERE HAS LOOKED AT IT, AT LEAST IN

AND THAT'S WHY YOU REACH THE CONCLUSION, ALMOST

IT'S UP TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND THEN US TO

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? I'D

JUST ANOTHER PERSPECTIVE.

THE PROBLEM WITH THE ONGOING DELIBERATION

AND I'VE ALWAYS FELT THAT WHILE THERE IS A VERY,

LIKE TO ASK A QUESTION. I'M ASSUMING THAT YOUR REQUEST

IS BASED UPON INCREASING THE LIFE OF THAT DISPOSAL SITE.

AND IF IT IS, I'D LIKE TO ASK HOW MANY ADDITIONAL YEARS

DO YOU ANTICIPATE THIS EXTRA HEIGHT WOULD GIVE YOU ON

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THAT FACILITY? AND AS A SECONDARY FOLLOW-UP QUESTION TO THAT, IS IT INVOLVED IN YOUR BEING ABLE TO MEET YOUR EIGHT-YEAR LIMIT OR EIGHT-YEAR CAPACITY REQUIREMENT UNDER THE COSWMP?

MR. BELLISTON: WHEN WE RECENTLY WENT THROUGH OUR CLOSURE/POSTCLOSURE PROCESS IN REVIEWING OUR NEEDS, THIS MODIFICATION, THIS INCREASE IN HEIGHT, TOGETHER WITH THE IMPROVED EFFORTS OF COMPACTION AND WHATNOT, WILL EXTEND THE LIFE OF THIS SITE WITHOUT EXPANDING IN A HORIZONTAL DIRECTION THROUGH THE YEAR 2000.

MENDOCINO COUNTY IS NOW GROPING VERY HARD AND FAST WITH THE CONCEPT OF A REASONABLE DISPOSAL. TO PUT THE DISPOSAL UNDER A REGIONAL SETUP RATHER THAN INDIVIDUAL CITIES AND THE COUNTY, AND TO TRY TO BRING ABOUT A FINANCING STRUCTURE RATHER THAN RELYING ON THE GENERAL FUND EACH YEAR AS WE DO.

BUT THIS WOULD INCREASE THE CAPACITY THROUGH THE YEAR -- THE SITE HAS THE CAPACITY ON THIS PLAN THROUGH THE YEAR 2000, AND IT WOULD BE PART OF OUR EIGHT YEARS, YES.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: THANK YOU VERY MUCH! KNOW IT'S VERY DIFFICULT TO VOTE AGAINST THIS BECAUSE WE CRY ALL THE TIME THAT WE'RE OUT OF LANDFILL SPACE AND WE'RE TRYING TO SITE NEW ONES AND WE'RE TRYING TO BE SURE WE HAVE ENOUGH CAPACITY, AND HERE WE ARE IN OUR GREAT



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WISDOM TAKING A VOTE TO REJECT THE VERY ARGUMENTS THAT
WE'RE MAKING FOR OURSELVES. I'M SYMPATHETIC, BUT I THINK
WE'RE BETWEEN A ROCK AND A HARD SPOT. THERE'S NOT A HELL
OF A LOT WE CAN DO AND STILL BE CONSIDERED EQUITABLY
ADMINISTERING THE LAW ACROSS HORIZONTAL LINES THROUGHOUT
THE STATE. IT'S A DIFFICULT ONE. WELL, YOU'VE ALL HAD
AN OPPORTUNITY.

BOARD MEMBER VARNER: I WANTED TO ASK A

QUESTION. CAN ANYONE TELL ME JUST WHAT ALL IS GOING TO

BE INVOLVED? SAY, WE DETERMINE THIS AS A SIGNIFICANT

CHANGE AND THEY HAVE TO GO THROUGH SOME ADDITIONAL

PROCESS HERE. AS I UNDERSTAND IT, THEY HAVE TO GO

THROUGH AN ADDITIONAL PROCESS IN ORDER TO BE ABLE TO DO

THIS. WHAT ALL IS INVOLVED HERE? HOW MUCH TIME IS

INVOLVED? WHAT ALL IS INVOLVED? AND WHAT HAS TO BE

DETERMINED SO THAT WE'D COME UP, SAY, THAT WE COULD COME

UP WITH ALLOWING THEM TO GO AHEAD AND DO THIS UNDER THE

SIGNIFICANT CHANGE PART?

MR. DIER: THE PROCESS WOULD -- WELL, TO ANSWER THE FIRST QUESTION, IT WOULD PROBABLY TAKE AT LEAST SIX MONTHS AS A MINIMUM. I WOULDN'T VENTURE A GUESS ON THE OUTSIDE OF IT. THE FIRST THING WOULD BE TO CONDUCT AN ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW, AND THEN THERE WOULD NEED TO BE AN EXAMINATION OF THE COUNTY SOLID WASTE PLAN TO SEE IF IT'S ADEQUATELY -- SEE IF THIS EXPANDED FACILITY IS ADEQUATELY



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DESCRIBED. AND IF NOT. THAT PLAN MAY NEED TO BE AMENDED. THEN AN EXAMINATION OF THE COUNTY GENERAL PLAN TO MAKE SURE THAT IT ADEQUATELY DESCRIBES THE EXPANDED FACILITY. AND IF NOT, THAT WOULD HAVE TO BE AMENDED. AND AFTER THOSE ACTIONS ARE TAKEN, THE LEA WOULD BE ABLE THEN TO SUBMIT TO US A PROPOSED PERMIT FOR LIKE I SAID, THAT WOULD BE A MINIMUM, I'M CONSIDERATION.

BOARD MEMBER VARNER: THAT'S ASSUMING THAT THEY DIDN'T FIND SOME KIND OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEM?

> CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: MR. ARAKALIAN.

GUESSING, A MINIMUM OF SIX MONTHS.

MR. DIER: CORRECT.

BOARD MEMBER ARAKALIAN: I'D LIKE TO ASK A QUESTION ON THIS SUBJECT THAT SKEET JUST BROUGHT UP. MENTIONING A FEW ITEMS THAT HAVE TO BE DONE. OTHER THAN THE TIME ELEMENT, WHICH YOU SAY COULD BE AS MUCH AS SIX MONTHS, IS THAT A VERY DIFFICULT TASK, WHETHER IT BE MONETARY OR OTHERWISE? I MEAN, IS THIS GOING TO BE A BIG, BIG OUTLAY OR A BIG BURDEN OF ANY KIND, OR A MATTER OF FORMALITIES OF GOING THROUGH THESE STEPS?

MY REASON ASKING THAT IS IF YOU -- ASSUMING YOU DON'T RUN INTO PROBLEMS OR THEY DON'T RUN INTO ANY PROBLEMS COMPLYING, THERE SHOULDN'T BE ANY GREAT PROBLEM THERE. THEY SAID THAT THEY STILL HAVE ENOUGH HEIGHT LEFT, SO THE TIME SHOULDN'T BE A SIGNIFICANT FACTOR. AND



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IF THEY DID RUN INTO A STUMBLING BLOCK FOR NOT COMPLYING. WELL, THEN THERE WOULD BE A VALID PROBLEM THAT WE SHOULD NOT BE ISSUING IT FOR.

AND SO IF NO STUMBLING BLOCK COMES UP, HOW DIFFICULT AND COSTLY IS THIS PROCESS GOING TO BE? KNOW. THE WORDS DIDN'T MEAN MUCH TO ME.

> MR. BELLISTON: MAY I DIRECT AN ANSWER TO THAT? BOARD MEMBER ARAKALIAN: I'D LOVE TO HAVE YOU.

MR. BELLISTON: I THINK I TRIED TO IN THE WRITTEN WORD. THE PROCESS IT THROWS US INTO IS AS IF IT WERE A NEW SITE. SO WE GET INTO THE PUBLIC HEARING, WE GET INTO THE PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT, WE GET INTO THE -- ALL THE ISSUES AS IF IT WERE TRYING TO SITE A NEW SITE, AND THAT COULD COST -- WHO CAN PUT A TOP NUMBER ON THE DOLLAR AND THE AMOUNT OF STAFF TIME THAT WILL TAKE, THAT WE'LL REDIRECT AWAY FROM OPERATING AND PROVIDING A SERVICE.

> CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: MR. BROWN.

BOARD MEMBER BROWN: IT OCCURS TO ME, THOUGH, THAT YOU ARE ASKING TO BYPASS SOME OF THIS, AND YOU CAN HEAR THE SENTIMENT HERE. WE'RE IN A DIFFICULT SITUATION. HOWEVER, YOU ARE ONLY ASKING FOR THAT FOR ROUGHLY 10 YEARS, 11 YEARS AT THE MOST. IT SEEMS TO ME THAT'S AN AWFULLY SHORT TIME. TEN YEARS GOES BY RATHER QUICKLY. YOU'LL BE RIGHT BACK HERE TRYING TO DO SOMETHING AGAIN. WOULD YOU BE TRYING TO DO SOMETHING AGAIN IN ANOTHER



TEN-YEAR INCREMENT?

IT ALMOST SEEMS TO ME THAT IF YOU'RE GOING
TO HAVE TO GO THROUGH THE PROCESS THAT WE'RE GOING TO
APPARENTLY HAVE TO REQUIRE, BOY, WHY DON'T YOU GO OUT FOR
A 40-YEAR SITE OR 40-YEAR ADDITION? THAT MAKES THE COST
AT LEAST MORE PALATABLE.

MR. BELLISTON: MR. BROWN, CAN I ADDRESS THAT?
THAT'S PROBABLY A GOOD POINT TO BRING. AS I TRIED TO
EXPLAIN, THIS PARTICULAR SITE IS AN EXTREMELY EXPENSIVE
SITE TO OPERATE. WE HAVE TO IMPORT ALL MATERIAL. ALL
MATERIAL HAS TO BE IMPORTED, SOME OF IT FOR AS MUCH AS
FOUR AND FIVE MILES AWAY. IT'S AN EXTREMELY EXPENSIVE
SITE TO OPERATE.

THE LONG-TERM SOLUTION TO THIS IS TO CONSOLIDATE THE LANDFILLS IN MENDOCINO COUNTY IN SOME KIND OF A REASONABLE FACILITY. THAT IS THE DIRECTION THAT THE COUNTY IS ATTEMPTING TO GO NOW. HOPEFULLY, OVER THE NEXT TWO OR THREE YEARS, THERE WILL BE SOME GREAT -- WE'VE GOT TO MAKE SOME REAL ADVANCES IN THAT DIRECTION, WITH THE IDEA THAT AT THE YEAR 2000 THIS SITE WILL EITHER BE CONVERTED TO A TRANSFER STATION OR WILL SIMPLY'BE CLOSED AND MATERIALS TAKEN ELSEWHERE.

SO THAT IS ANOTHER REASON THAT WE FOUND A MECHANISM THAT, IN OUR OPINION, IS ENVIRONMENTALLY SOUND TO MAINTAIN THIS SITE. WE'RE -- WHAT WE'RE BEING BITTEN



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BY IS SOME UNDERESTIMATES, SOME, OH, JUST GIVE US ANYTHING BACK IN 1977 AND '78 THAT NOW IS COMING BACK TO THAT'S THE KIND OF SITUATION WE FOUND OURSELVES BITE US. IN TO JUST EXTEND OR MAINTAIN THIS SITE ANOTHER TEN YEARS.

WE'RE NOT -- THE SITE IN THE PERMIT GOES, I THINK, TO ELEVATION 440. WE'RE IN THE 435 RANGE RIGHT IT VARIES, OF COURSE, FROM DIFFERENT SIDES AND NOW. WHERE OUR OPERATING FACES ARE. BUT THAT'S THE CRUX OF IT. WE DON'T SEE THIS AS A SITE FOR THE NEXT 40 YEARS. WE SEE IT AS A SITE FOR THE NEXT TEN YEARS. CONSISTENT WITH OUR PLAN. THAT'S CONSISTENT WITH WHERE WE'VE BEEN TELLING EVERYBODY WE'RE GOING. CONSISTENT WITH WHERE WE'RE WORKING AT RIGHT NOW.

OUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS INVOLVED IN TRYING TO DEVELOP A REGIONAL FINANCING MECHANISM TO FINANCE THE DISPOSAL OF SOLID WASTE. THAT'S ALL IN PROGRESS. THAT'S ALL GOING IN THE WAY THE PLAN WOULD HAVE IT GO. THIS IS JUST AN ISSUE. WE'RE MAINTAINING A CLEAN SITE.

THIS TIRES WAS SOMETHING THAT IT WAS AN ECONOMICAL SITUATION AT ONE TIME. THERE WAS A GOOD CHANCE THAT A FURNACE-FIRED ELECTRICAL PLANT WAS GOING TO BE CREATED IN THE COMMUNITY OF FORT BRAGG BY ONE OF THE LUMBER COMPANIES, AND THESE TIRES WERE THEN SIMPLY GOING



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TO BE ADDED FUEL FOR THAT. THAT'S WHEN WE STARTED 1 STOCKPILING TIRES. 2 WE CERTAINLY RECOGNIZE THAT IT'S NOT GOING 3 TO GO AWAY. WE'VE GONE TO OUR BOARD. THE TIRES. WE CAN RESOLVE THAT ISSUE. WE CAN RESOLVE IT WITHIN 90 DAYS. 5 I DON'T KNOW WHAT MORE TO SAY REGARDING 6 7 WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO UP THERE, AND WE'D INVITE YOU TO COME TO OUR SITES. WE'RE PROUD OF OUR SITES. 8 AS JERRY 9 TOLD YOU, I SAW THIS SITE, TOO, IN 1968, AND IT WAS A 10 DISGRACE. NOW IT'S A CLEAN OPERATING SITE, AND WE'RE 11 PROUD OF WHAT WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO DO WITH THE RESOURCES WE 12 HAVE. CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: LET ME ASK ANOTHER QUESTION 13 14 IS IT THE AMOUNT OF HEIGHT INCREASE THAT MAKES IT 15 A SIGNIFICANT CHANGE? WHAT IF THEY CAME IN WITH A REQUEST FOR HALF THAT HEIGHT INCREASE? WOULD IT STILL BE 16 17 CONSIDERED A SIGNIFICANT CHANGE? 18 MR. DIER: YES, MR. CHAIRMAN. IN THAT STAFF'S POSITION IS THAT ANY INCREASE IN HEIGHT ABOVE THAT OF THE 19 20 EXISTING PERMIT IS OUTSIDE THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF 21 THE PERMIT, AND THAT, ACCORDING TO OUR REGULATIONS, 22 REQUIRES A PERMIT REVISION. CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: YES, MR. BEAUTROW. 23 24 BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: I TAKE A DIFFERING VIEW 25 THAN YOU ABOUT EXPOSING YOURSELF TO THE POSSIBILITY THAT



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THIS IS NOW DECLARED A NEW SITE. I DON'T SEE IT THAT WAY AT ALL.

WE'RE SIMPLY SAYING THAT YOU WANT TO MODIFY THE FACILITIES PERMIT, IT WAS A GRANDFATHERED SITE AND YOU WANT TO DO CERTAIN THINGS. CAN'T THE LEA -- I DON'T KNOW YOUR PARTICULAR SETUP -- ACTING AS THE LEAD AGENCY UNDER CEQA FILE A NEGATIVE DEC? IN OTHER WORDS -- IN YOUR MINDS IT'S DETERMINED THAT THIS IS NOT A REAL BIG ISSUE, LEAVING THE SIGNIFICANT OUT OF IT, BUT I CERTAINLY WOULD THINK THAT MAYBE YOU COULD CONSTRUE THAT THERE IS NO SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT AND YOU COULD FILE A NEGATIVE DEC AND GO THROUGH THIS RIGMAROLE LIKE EVERYBODY ELSE DOES.

I'WANT TO GIVE YOU THE LEEWAY; BUT, ON THE OTHER HAND, WHAT ABOUT ALL OF THE OTHER PEOPLE THAT HAVE TO GO THROUGH THE SAME PROCEDURE? WE JUST CAN'T LOOK THE I DON'T TAKE THE VIEW THAT YOU'RE GOING TO BE OTHER WAY. EXPOSED TO THE IT'S A BRAND NEW SITE AND WE'RE GOING TO CLOSE IT DOWN. IT'S, RATHER, A MODIFICATION OF THE FACILITY PERMIT. WHY --

MR. BELLISTON: YOUR REGULATIONS ARE VERY SPECIFIC. IT'S PROCESSED AS IF IT WERE A NEW SITE. THAT'S RIGHT OUT OF YOUR REGULATIONS, SIR.

CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: MR. MOSCONE WOULD LIKE TO ASK YOU A QUESTION.



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1 BOARD MEMBER MOSCONE: WOULD THIS IN ANY WAY 2 CHANGE THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE REGIONAL WATER QUALITY 3 CONTROL BOARD DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS? 4 MR. BELLISTON: NOT THAT I'M AWARE OF. THEY 5 CERTAINLY ARE AWARE OF WHAT WE'RE DOING BECAUSE WE'RE 6 GOING THROUGH OUR SWAT'S RIGHT NOW, AND THEY'RE --7 MOMENTARILY, ANY DAY, WE EXPECT TO HAVE OUR WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS RESET. THIS IS NOT AN ISSUE WITH 8 THEM, HAS NOT BEEN AN ISSUE WITH THEM. 9 10 BOARD MEMBER MOSCONE: SO YOU DON'T REALLY EXPECT ANYTHING DRASTIC TO HAPPEN WITH THEM? 11 12 MR. BELLISTON: NO, WE DON'T. 13 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: MR. VARNER. 14 BOARD MEMBER VARNER: I'LL DIRECT THIS TO THE WE HAVE SITE EXPANSIONS FROM TIME TO TIME AND 15 THEY'RE GRANTED; ISN'T THAT TRUE? 16 17 MR. DIER: THAT'S CORRECT. BOARD MEMBER VARNER: DO THEY ALL GO THROUGH 18 THIS PROCESS THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HERE? 19 20 MR. DIER: YES, SIR, THEY DO. 21 BOARD MEMBER VARNER: OKAY. AND WE HAVE THAT 22 HAPPEN REGULARLY WHERE SITE EXPANSIONS ARE ALLOWED AND 23 THEY GO THROUGH THIS PROCESS WITHOUT -- AS I WOULD UNDERSTAND IT, WHEN YOU GO TO GET A NEW SITE SITED, YOU 24 25 HAVE A CONSIDERABLY DIFFERENT PROBLEM TO BE FACED THAN



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YOU DO WITH SITE EXPANSION. AND THAT'S WHAT THIS IS. A 1 SITE EXPANSION, BEING UP INSTEAD OF OUT; IS THAT CORRECT? 2 3 MR. DIER: THAT'S CORRECT. BOARD MEMBER VARNER: SO THAT'S WHAT KIND OF --AND I THINK MR. BEAUTROW HIT IT ON IT THERE, THAT WE DO 5 HAVE THESE SITE EXPANSIONS, AND TO OUR KNOWLEDGE ANYWAY, 6 THEY DON'T HAVE THE PROBLEM THAT YOU HAVE WITH SITING A 7 8 NEW SITE. MR. DIER: THE COMMENT THAT MR. BELLISTON MADE 9 REGARDING THE NEW AND EXPANDED SITES BEING ONE IN THE 10 11 SAME, I BELIEVE IT'S PROCEDURAL REFERENCE THAT HE'S 12 MENTIONING. 13 BOARD MEMBER VARNER: THAT'S FROM THE PAPERWORK 14 STANDPOINT. 15 THE REQUIREMENTS THAT I WENT THROUGH MR. DIER: 16 EARLIER ARE THE SAME REQUIREMENTS THERE ARE FOR A NEW 17 SITE, BUT THIS IS NOT A NEW SITE. THIS, LIKE YOU SAID, 18 IS AN EXPANSION OF AN EXISTING SITE. 19 BOARD MEMBER VARNER: AND THE REASON I SAY THAT 20 BECAUSE I, ALONG WITH, I THINK, THE REST OF THE BOARD 21 ENCOURAGES EVERYONE THAT HAS AN EXISTING FACILITY TO TRY 22 TO EXPAND IT AND MAKE IT LAST AS LONG AS THEY CAN BECAUSE 23 OF THE TREMENDOUS PROBLEM THAT IS INVOLVED WITH A NEW 24 SITE. 25 I'M SURE IN THIS CASE THESE GENTLEMEN FROM



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MENDOCINO COUNTY ARE LOOKING AND, OBVIOUSLY, DOWN THE ROAD THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE TO HAVE SOME NEW SITES: BUT AT LEAST THAT WOULD BE MY UNDERSTANDING. THAT THERE IS QUITE A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A SITE EXPANSION AND GETTING A NEW AND HERE IT SOUNDS LIKE THEY ARE FEELING THAT IT'S SITE. THE SAME THING.

BOARD MEMBER ARAKALIAN: WHO IS THE AUTHORITY HERE ON OUR BOARD THAT WOULD KNOW THAT? I MEAN, I ASKED THE QUESTION, AND THE GENTLEMAN HERE ANSWERED ME THAT IT WOULD BE STARTING OUT FROM SCRATCH. WELL, DOES ANYBODY HERE KNOW IF THAT'S A FACT OR NOT? IS THAT, IN FACT, WHAT WOULD HAPPEN?

MR. IWAHIRO: I THINK WHAT DON HAS SAID IS THAT PROCEDURALLY, IN TERMS OF MEETING CEQA, MEETING THE COUNTY PLAN REQUIREMENTS, THE GENERAL PLAN REQUIREMENTS, IS ABSOLUTELY CORRECT.

IN TERMS OF THE AMOUNT OF WORK THAT YOU HAVE TO GO THROUGH. FOR INSTANCE, ON CEQA, YOU NEED A NEGATIVE DECLARATION, YOU NEED A FULL-BLOWN EIR. MAY BE A DIFFERENCE IN TERMS OF A BRAND NEW SITE WHERE NOTHING HAS BEEN -- IT'S VIRGIN GROUND VERSUS AN AREA WHICH HAS HAD A WASTE FACILITY FOR SOME TIME, EXPANDING IT, PERHAPS NEGATIVE DECLARATION, WHICH IS MUCH LESS WORK THAN A FULL-BLOWN EIR.

BOARD MEMBER ARAKALIAN: HERB, I CAN'T



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1	UNDERSTAND YOU. I'M SORRY.
2	MR. IWAHIRO: I JUST WANT TO POINT OUT ONE AREA
3	WHERE THERE MAY BE A DIFFERENCE.
4	BOARD MEMBER ARAKALIAN: DIFFERENCE. I WANT TO
5	HEAR WHAT THE DIFFERENCE WOULD BE.
6	MR. IWAHIRO: A NEW SITE MAY REQUIRE MORE
7	THAN LIKELY WOULD REQUIRE A FULL-BLOWN ENVIRONMENTAL
8	IMPACT REPORT, WHICH IS A FAIRLY EXPENSIVE TYPE OF
9	BOARD MEMBER ARAKALIAN: I'M AWARE OF THAT.
10	MR. IWAHIRO: HAVING AN EXPANSION WHERE A
11	FACILITY HAS BEEN OPERATING FOR MANY YEARS MAY REQUIRE
12	ONLY A NEGATIVE DECLARATION.
13	BOARD MEMBER ARAKALIAN: MAY, BUT YOU ARE NOT
14	SURE. NEGATIVE DEC WITHOUT THE EIR?
15	MR. IWAHIRO: YES, YOU SURE MAY. AND THAT WOULD
16	BE CONSIDERABLY LESS THAN A FULL-BLOWN EIR, AND THAT
17	DETERMINATION IS REALLY MADE BY THE LOCAL PLANNING
18	DEPARTMENT. SO THAT IS ONE DIFFERENCE IN TERMS OF THE
19	AMOUNT OF WORK AND TIME ENTAILED IN DEVELOPING A SITE.
20	BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: MR. CHAIRMAN, MAYBE I
21	CAN OFFER AN ALTERNATIVE.
22	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: WE'D BE GLAD TO HEAR ONE.
23	BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: WHY DON'T YOU, WITH THE
24	CONCURRENCE OF THE LEA, WITHDRAW YOUR APPLICATION INSTEAD
25	OF FORCING IT TO THE ISSUE WHERE WE HAVE TO DENY IT. GO



1	BACK AND REGROUP AND COME UP WITH SOME KIND OF A
2	PROCEDURE AND, YOU KNOW, WORK AT IT THAT WAY. AND IN
3	OTHER WORDS, YOU BROUGHT THIS TO OUR ATTENTION BY THE
4	REVIEW OF THE PERMIT AND NOW TRYING TO ISSUE A PERMIT
5	THAT HAS A LOT OF GLITCHES IN IT. AND SO I DON'T KNOW.
6	THIS IS ONE WAY OF THAT WE HAVE DEALT WITH ISSUES.
7	YOU HAVE TO WITHDRAW IT VOLUNTARILY, AND THE LEA HAS TO
8	CONCUR, AND THEN THERE'S NOTHING FOR US TO ACT ON. AND
9	IT'S UP TO YOU TO PURSUE IT FROM THERE. THAT'S ANOTHER
10	ALTERNATIVE.
11	BOARD MEMBER ARAKALIAN: WE'RE CERTAINLY BEING
12	EMPATHETIC TO THIS. WE'RE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT YOUR
13	PROBLEM.
14	MR. BELLISTON: I'M JUST NOT SMART ENOUGH TO
15	KNOW I DIDN'T BRING LEGAL COUNSEL. I'M JUST NOT SMART
16	ENOUGH THE DIFFERENCE OF YOU TURNING US DOWN OR
17 ·	WITHDRAWING IT. WE'D BE OPERATING WITHOUT A PERMIT, AND
18	WE'D END UP ON A LIST AS OPERATING WITHOUT A PERMIT.
19	BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: AREN'T YOU DOING THAT
20	TODAY?
21	MR. BELLISTON: WELL, I THINK WE'RE DOING IT
22	SIMPLY BECAUSE THE PROCESS HAS TAKEN SOME TIME SINCE THE
23	COMPLETION OF THE THING. I'M NOT SURE IF PERMITS EXPIRE
24	OR WHAT THE SITUATION IS. WE MAY BE SOMEWHAT DELINQUENT
25	IN OUR FIVE-YEAR REVIEW PROCESS, BUT WE COULDN'T BE VERY



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2 WE'RE NOW IN '89. SO THAT'S TEN YEARS. 3 BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: MAYBE YOU'D LIKE TO --ALLOW YOU THE OPPORTUNITY TO RETURN AT SOME DATE, WHETHER IT'S NEXT MONTH OR SUBSEQUENT MONTHS OR SOMETHING, BUT IT 5 6 WOULD ALLOW YOU TO REALIZE WHAT YOU HAVE TO DEAL WITH 7 HERE AND TRY -- RATHER THAN US SIMPLY --8 MR. BELLISTON: WE KNOW PRECISELY WHAT WE HAVE 9 TO DEAL WITH IF WE'RE INTO A REVISED PERMIT. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REVIEWS EVERY DAY OF OUR LIVES. 10 MAKE OUR LIVING DOING A LOT OF THAT. WE BUILD ROADS AND 11 12 BRIDGES AND A LOT OF OTHER THINGS. SO WE KNOW PRECISELY 13 WHAT WE'RE INTO HERE. AND AS FAR AS THE TIME IT WILL REQUIRE AND THE FISCAL RESPONSE -- FISCAL IMPACT ON OUR 14 15 BUDGET AND OTHER THINGS. 16 MR. DIER: MR. CHAIRMAN, ONE COMMENT. 17 CASE, IF THE BOARD OBJECTS TO THE PERMIT TODAY OR IF THE 18 PERMIT IS WITHDRAWN BY THE APPLICANT AND LEA. IN EITHER 19 CASE, THE EXISTING PERMIT WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT. WILL NOT BE OPERATING WITHOUT A PERMIT. 20 21 MR. BELLISTON: I APPRECIATE THAT, DON. 22 BOARD MEMBER VARNER: MR. CHAIRMAN, HOW LONG IS 23 THAT PERMIT GOOD FOR? 24 MR. DIER: THERE IS NO EXPIRATION DATE ON THE 25 PERMIT.

DELINQUENT BECAUSE THE FIRST PERMIT WAS ISSUED IN '79 AND



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BOARD MEMBER VARNER: THEN YOU ARE SOME DISTANCE FROM BEING IN ANY KIND OF A VIOLATION AS FAR AS OPERATING YOUR LANDFILL. YOU STILL HAVE -- DIDN'T I HEAR YOU SAY SOME YEARS TO GO ON IT?

MR. BELLISTON: WE HAVE ABOUT 5 FEET. GO TWO TO THREE YEARS, DEPENDING ON HOW WE OPERATE. WE'VE GOT SOME LOWER AREAS. TOO. THIS THING HASN'T BUILT UP UNIFORMLY. IT'S HIGHER IN SOME AREAS THAN IN OTHERS. SO THERE IS QUITE A BIT OF ROOM THERE. YOU ALSO GOT THIS IDEA OF WHAT IS THE 440? YOU KNOW, YOU GOT THE DATUM THING YOU CAN PLAY WITH 4 OR 5 FEET THAT WAY, TOO.

BOARD MEMBER VARNER: THAT'S WHAT I THOUGHT I HEARD YOU SAY. IN OTHER WORDS. YOU'VE GOT A COUPLE OF SO YOU'RE NOT IN ANY A CRISIS SITUATION HERE. SO TO GO BACK AND REVIEW THE THING AND MAYBE COME UP WITH A BETTER APPROACH TO IT, YOU ARE NOT IN A CRISIS SITUATION. SO THERE MAY BE A BETTER APPROACH TO IT THAN WHAT YOU ARE TAKING NOW.

MR. BELLISTON: YOU KNOW. IF YOUR BOARD CONCURS WITH YOUR STAFF, WE'LL HAVE NO ALTERNATIVE BUT TO PROCEED. WE WANT TO BE CONSISTENT WITH THE REGULATIONS AND CONSISTENT WITH THE POLICIES OF THIS BOARD, AND WE WORK VERY HARD AT BEING THAT. WE'RE NOT GOING TO GO OFF AND DO ANYTHING RASH. WE'RE NOT OUTLAWS OVER THERE. WE WANT TO COMPLY, AND WE WANT TO BE PART OF THE PROCESS.



WE JUST FELT THAT THERE WAS ENOUGH ROOM
WITHIN THE GUIDELINES OF WHAT CONSTITUTES SIGNIFICANT
CHANGE TO MAKE A DETERMINATION THAT THIS IS NOT A
SIGNIFICANT CHANGE AND THAT WE CAN OPERATE FOR ANOTHER
TEN YEARS, MAINTAIN THE SERVICE AT THE SITE, MAINTAIN IT
WITH INVESTING DOLLARS IN THE SITE ITSELF AND NOT IN
ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS AND HEARINGS AND OTHER PROCESSES
THAT TAKE TIME AND MONEY.

BOARD MEMBER VARNER: I APPRECIATE THAT. I
THINK THAT THE BOARD HERE IS PRETTY WELL IN AGREEMENT
THAT THIS CERTAINLY IS A SITUATION THAT CALLS FOR A SITE
REVISION BECAUSE WE'VE GONE THROUGH A NUMBER OF THESE.
AND TO BE CONSISTENT WITH OUR OWN GUIDELINES, WE DON'T
HAVE ANY CHOICE THAT I CAN SEE TO CALL IT, IN THIS CASE,
WITH THE APPLICATION THAT MAKES A SIGNIFICANT CHANGE, AND
IT CALLS FOR A SITE REVISION. IN OTHER WORDS, THAT'S WHY
WE HAVE SITE REVISIONS BECAUSE YOU ARE REVISING IT FROM
WHAT IT ORIGINALLY WAS. I DON'T KNOW HOW IT COULD BE
TERMED OTHERWISE.

MR. BELLISTON: WE CERTAINLY RESPECT THE
BOARD'S -- WE REGRET THAT WE'VE HAD TO BRING THIS'KIND OF
ISSUE TO YOU, BUT WE HAD TO PURSUE IT. IT'S JUST A
MATTER OF DOLLARS AND TIME, AND WE HAD TO PURSUE IT.

BOARD MEMBER VARNER: CERTAINLY, WE ARE ONE THAT
ARE ALWAYS HERE TO TRY TO NOT CREATE PROBLEMS, BUT TO



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1	ALLEVIATE THEM, BUT WE HAVE TO DO IT WITHIN A CERTAIN
2	CONTEXT ALSO.
3	MR. BELLISTON: WE UNDERSTAND. I ALSO AM A
4	REGULATOR IN THE COUNTY IN THE SUBDIVISION PROCESS. SO I
5	WEAR A REGULATOR'S HAT ONE DAY AND A DOER'S HAT THE NEXT.
6	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: MR. BROWN.
7	BOARD MEMBER BROWN: WELL, JUST ONE FINAL
8	COMMENT, AND IT SUPPORTS WHAT MR. BEAUTROW SAID. I WOULD
9	BE MORE COMFORTABLE IF YOU FOLKS WOULD WITHDRAW TODAY AND
10	GO HOME AND STEW ABOUT IT SOMEHOW OR OTHER. MAYBE YOU'VE
11	GOT TO COME BACK IN A MONTH OR TWO AND GO THROUGH THIS
12	ONCE AGAIN. I HATE TO SEE US RULE AGAINST YOU. MAYBE
13	I'M JUST TRYING TO PUT OFF THE INEVITABLE.
14	MR. BELLISTON: MR. BROWN, IN DUE RESPECT, I
15	DON'T IN MY OWN MIND AND HERE AGAIN, I'M NOT PREPARED
16	FOR THAT PARTICULAR ISSUE IN MY OWN MIND, I DON'T KNOW
17	WHAT DIFFERENCE IT MAKES TO US. WHILE I HATE TO FORCE
18	YOU INTO A DECISION
19	BOARD MEMBER BROWN: YOU KNOW BEST.
20	BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: I THINK YOU'RE MAKING A
21	DRASTIC MISTAKE. I'M GOING TO MOVE 89-35.
22	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: JUST A MOMENT. MR. MOSCONE
23	WOULD LIKE TO ASK ANOTHER QUESTION.
24	BOARD MEMBER MOSCONE: YOU KNOW, AS FAR AS THIS
25	BEING SIGNIFICANT CHANGE, YOU KNOW, I'VE SEEN SITES THAT



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1	ADDING 34 FEET TO THE SITE MEANS TWO COMPLETE LIFTS.
2	MR. BELLISTON: SEE, THIS IS A SMALL SITE, MR.
3	MOSCONE. WE DEAL WITH ABOUT 7,000 TONS A YEAR. IT'S NOT
4	A YOU KNOW, IT'S NOT A LARGE SITE THAT YOU ARE USED TO
5	DEALING WITH.
6	BOARD MEMBER MOSCONE: I CAN SEE YOUR POINT ALL
7	RIGHT; BUT, YOU KNOW, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE SOMEBODY ELSE
8	COME IN HERE AND SAY, "WELL, HOW COME YOU DID THIS IN
9	MENDOCINO? WHY ARE YOU TURNING US DOWN?" IF SOMEONE ELSE
10	COMES IN WITH THE SAME PROBLEM.
11	MR. BELLISTON: I CERTAINLY UNDERSTAND THAT.
12	CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: MS. BREMBERG.
13	BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: WHY YOU DON'T CONSIDER
14	THIS A CHALLENGE AND GET YOUR REGIONAL PLAN DONE
15	IMMEDIATELY? IT CAN'T COST ANY MORE TO GET BUSY ON YOUR
16	REGIONAL PLAN THAN IT WOULD BE TO CONFORM TO THIS WHILE
17	WORKING UNDER YOUR PRESENT PERMIT.
18	MR. BELLISTON: HAVE TO GET THREE, FOUR CITIES
19	AND A COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AND EVERYBODY
20	TOGETHER. IT'S CONSIDERABLY MORE EFFORT, BUT IT'S BEING
21	WORKED ON RIGHT NOW.
22	BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: I LIVE IN L.A. COUNTY
23	AND THAT'S 85 CITIES. YOU KNOW, IT SEEMS RELATIVELY EASY
24	TO ME FOR YOU TO DO IT.
25	MR. BELLISTON: I SPEND ABOUT FIVE HOURS A WEEK





ON SOLID WASTE. THE OTHER TIME I'M ON OTHER THINGS. 1 WE 2 DO HAVE THAT PROBLEM, TOO. WE DON'T HAVE UNLIMITED 3 STAFF. 4 BOARD MEMBER BEAUTROW: MOVE 89-35, WHICH DENIES 5 THE PERMIT. 6 BOARD MEMBER BREMBERG: SECOND. 7 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: WE HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND TO MOVE STAFF RECOMMENDATION 89-35. ALL THOSE IN 8 9 FAVOR? OPPOSED? CARRIED AND SO ORDERED. 10 MOVE NOW TO ANOTHER ITEM AFFECTING 11 MENDOCINO COUNTY, ITEM NO. 9. 12 MR. DIER: MR. CHAIRMAN, I CAN TALK TO YOU ABOUT 13 ITEM NO. 9 ON A LITTLE LIGHTER NOTE, FORTUNATELY. THIS DEALS WITH THE ISSUANCE OF A MODIFIED PERMIT FOR THE CITY 14 15 OF WILLITS DISPOSAL SITE. 16 THIS PERMIT HAS UNDERGONE A REVIEW UNDER 17 THE FIVE-YEAR REVIEW PROGRAM. THE LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCY HAS DETERMINED THAT THERE IS NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGE 18 19 IN DESIGN OR OPERATION OF THE FACILITY. 20 THERE IS ONE THING GOING ON, THOUGH, AND 21 THAT IS THAT THE ORIGINAL REPORT OF DISPOSAL SITE 22 INFORMATION STATED THAT THE TOTAL SITE ACREAGE WAS 317 23 ACRES AND THAT ONLY 100 ACRES WOULD BE ULTIMATELY USED 24 FOR DISPOSAL. TO DATE THERE HAS ONLY BEEN WASTE 25 DEPOSITED ON 15 OF THOSE ACRES.



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1 THE NEW RDS! ACCOMPANYING THE APPLICATION 2 FOR PERMIT REVIEW INCLUDED A SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR 3 THE COMPLETION OF THE 15-ACRE PARCEL, WHICH IS ANTICIPATED IN 1992. IN 1992, THEN, THE OPERATOR WILL 4 5 SUBMIT AN UPDATED RDSI, DESCRIBING RELOCATION TO ANOTHER 6 AREA OF THE 100 ACRES ORIGINALLY INTENDED FOR DISPOSAL. 7 SO AT THAT TIME THE LEA ANTICIPATES SUBMITTING ANOTHER MODIFIED PERMIT TO REFLECT THE 8 9 RELOCATED OPERATION. 10 ASIDE FROM THAT, STAFF HAS REVIEWED THE 11 MATERIAL. THE PERMIT. AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS. AND 12 AGREES WITH THE LEA'S REQUIRED FINDINGS, AND IS ABLE TO 13 RECOMMEND TO YOU THIS AFTERNOON THAT YOU ADOPT PERMIT 14 DECISION NO. 89-36, CONCURRING IN THE ISSUANCE OF PERMIT 15 NO. 23 AA 0021. CONTRASTS SLIGHTLY WITH THE LAST ITEM 16 THERE. WE'RE IN AGREEMENT. 17 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: DO EITHER OF YOU GENTLEMEN FROM MENDOCINO WANT TO COMMENT ON THIS ONE? ARE THERE 18 19 ANY QUESTIONS OF MR. DIER? 20 BOARD MEMBER BROWN: MOVE 89-36. 21 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: HAVE A MOTION TO MOVE 22 CAN I HAVE A SECOND, PLEASE? 89-36. BOARD MEMBER VARNER: 23 SECOND. 24 CHAIRMAN GALLAGHER: HAVE A SECOND TO THAT MOTION NOW. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR? OPPOSED? CARRIED AND 25



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1	SO ORDERED.
2	CHAIR IS GOING TO CALL A RECESS UNTIL IN
3	THE MORNING AT 9 O'CLOCK FOR CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS
4	LITIGATION AND PERSONNEL PROBLEMS. THERE WILL BE A
5	RECONVENING OF THE BOARD AND THOSE ALLOWED STAFF PEOPLE
6	AT 20 MINUTES TO FOUR.
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REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

I, BETH C. DRAIN, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ON THE 20TH DAY

OF APRIL 1989, I DID REPORT IN SHORTHAND THE TESTIMONY AND

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOREGOING HEARING;

THAT AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE ABOVE-ENTITLED MATTER, I
DID TRANSCRIBE MY SHORTHAND NOTES INTO TYPEWRITING; AND THAT
THE FOREGOING TRANSCRIPT IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF MY
SHORTAND NOTES THEREOF.

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